# SIXTY-SEVENTH DAY

(Friday, May 5, 1939)

The House met at 10:00 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Speaker Morse.

The roll of the House was called, and the following Members were present:

Allen Hale Allison Hamilton Alsup Hankamer Anderson Hardeman Bailey Hardin Baker Harp Harper of Fort Bend Baker of Grayson Harrell of Bastrop Bell Hartzog Blankenship Heflin Boethel Holland Bond Howard Boyd Howington Bover Hull Bradbury Hunt Bradford Isaacks **Bridgers** Johnson of Ellis Broadfoot

Johnson of Tarrant Brown of Cherokee Keith

Brown Kennedy of Nacogdoches Kern Bundy Kerr Burkett Kersev Burney Kinard Cauthorn King Celaya Langdon Chambers Lehman Clark Leonard Cleveland Leyendecker Cockrell Little Coleman Lock

Colquitt Loggins Colson, Mrs. London Cornett MaysCorry McAlister Crossley McDaniel Daniel McDonald Davis of Jasper McFarland Davis of Upshur McMurry Derden McNamara Dickison Mohrmann Dickson Monkhouse Donaghey Montgomery Dowell Morris Dwyer Newell

Faulkner Nicholson Felty Oliver **F**erguson Pace Fielden. Petsch Fuchs Pevehouse Galbreath Piner Gilmer Pope Ragsdale Goodman

Gordon, Mrs. Reader of Bexar

Reader of Erath Talbert Reaves Tarwater Reed Taylor Rhodes Tennant Thornberry Riviere Roach Thornton Roberts Turner Robinson Vale Russell Vint Schuenemann Voigt Segrist Waggoner Shell Weldon Skiles Wells Smith of Frio Westbrook Wilson Smith of Hopkins Winfree Smith of Matagorda Wood Spencer Worley Wright Stinson

Absent

Harrell of Lamar Harris

Absent—Excused

White

Bray Dean

Stoll

A quorum was announced present. Prayer was offered by Rev. George W. Coltrin, Chaplain, as follows:

"Our Heavenly Father, with all Thy rich blessings upon our State and great nation we still need Thee in all our ways. More and more may our people be imbued with high ideals of right and justice, upon which finally we and all the world must be built. Give us the larger view this morning, a full grasp of our responsibilities and privileges. name. Amen." In Jesus'

# LEAVES OF ABSENCE GRANTED

following Members granted leaves of absence on account of important business:

Mr. Bray for today, on motion of Mr. McMurry.

Mr. Dean for today, on motion of Mr. Kinard.

The following Member was granted leave of absence on account of illness:

Mr. White for today, on motion of Mr. Langdon.

# RELATIVE TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1006

Mr. Smith of Matagorda asked unanimous consent of the House to change the word "and" to "nor" wherever it appears before the words "more than four hundred" in House Bill No. 1006, and to amend the caption to conform; also to insert the enacting clause in House Bill No. 1006.

There was no objection offered and it was so ordered.

# EXPRESSING TRIBUTE TO THE TEXAS CENTENNIAL COM-MITTEE OF SAN AUGUS-TINE COUNTY

Mr. Westbrook offered the following resolution:

H. S. R. No. 257, Expressing tribute to the Texas Centennial Committee of San Augustine County.

Whereas, The Texas Centennial Committee, of San Augustine County, in the year 1936, received the distinction of having been the first county in the State to provide for its quota of membership in the Centennial Club; and

Whereas, It was the only small county in the State to have a representative at every State meeting of the Centennial Committee;

Whereas, There was erected in the town of San Augustine, under the sponsorship of the Committee of said County, a monument in memory of General Pinkney Henderson, first Governor of Texas, said town being the home of General Henderson;

Whereas, The membership of the County Committee was composed of Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Stripling, A. O. Rushing, Robert Greer and Mrs. U. D. Lynch; and

Whereas, Mrs. Lynch, chairman of the committee, was tireless in her efforts to bring about success for the committee and to the entire Centennial program, and in recognition of her patriotic work she has been made a complimentary member of the Historical and Land Markers Association, and a sketch of her life will be placed in the archives of the University of Texas; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That tribute be paid to this committee for the distinction achieved; and, be it further

Resolved, That the chairman of this committee, Mrs. U. D. Lynch, be highly complimented in making such an outstanding record, and that a copy of this resolution, under the seal of the House, be sent to her.

The resolution was read second time, and was adopted.

# GRANTING USE OF THE HALL OF THE HOUSE

Mrs. Colson offered the following resolution:

H. S. R. No. 261, Granting use of the Hall of the House to the United Daughters of the Confederacy.

Whereas, From time immemorial it has been thought to be fitting and proper to commemorate the valorous deeds and heroic representation of our soldiers, sailors, and marines; and

Whereas, We have 12 Members of the House and Senate of the Texas Legislature who are World War Veterans and descendants of Confederate Veterans and who are eligible to receive the decoration of the cross of military service; and

Whereas, The 12 Members above mentioned are entitled to such decorations; and

Whereas Three other distinguished World War Veterans and descendants of Confederate Veterans are present and available; and

Whereas, The United Daughters of the Confederacy will meet in the Hall of the House of Representatives on Tuesday, May 9, at 3:00 o'clock for the purpose of decorating such group of soldiers eligible for such decoration; and

Whereas, Such occasion will be an inspiring and highly patriotic servive and is in keeping with the forms and customs in such cases; new, therefore he if

therefore, be it
Resolved, That the House of Representatives set aside and grant to the United Daughters of the Confederacy the day and hour hereinabove set out for the purpose of such decoration and the ceremonies incident thereto, and that the ex-soldiers of the World War who are descendants of Confederate Veterans be present and receive such decorations, and that the public generally be invited to witness the presenting of the distinguished cross of military service to each of those hereinabove mentioned who are eligible to receive the same, and it is so resolved.

COLSON, MRS., KINARD, LANGDON.

The resolution was read second time, and was adopted.

# GRANTING CERTAIN DISTRICT JUDGE PERMISSION TO BE ABSENT FROM THE STATE

Mr. Hardeman offered the following resolution:

H. C. R. No. 124, Granting Judge O. L. Parish permission to be absent from the State.

Whereas, Hon. O. L. Parish, Judge of the One Hundred Nineteenth Judicial District of Texas, desires to leave the State some time during the years 1939 and 1940 on personal business and to take a vacation; therefore, be

Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Texas, the Senate concurring, That Hon. O. L. Parish, Judge of the One Hundred Nineteenth Judicial District of Texas, be and he is hereby granted permission to be absent from the State of Texas at such intervals and for such time as he may see fit and proper during the years 1939 and 1940, taking into consideration the condition of the docket of said Court; provided that such absence from the State of Texas will not be for more than three (3) weeks during any one year.

The resolution was read second time, and was adopted.

# RELATIVE TO THE TRUCK LOAD LIMIT LAW

Mr. Burney offered the following resolution:

H. C. R. No. 128, Directing the Railroad Commission of Texas and Department of Public Safety of Texas to suspend enforcement of the 7,000 pound truck load limit law until such time as such law has been amended by the Legislature of the State of Texas.

Whereas, The 7,000 pound truck load limit law now operates chiefly against carriers engaged in handling farm products; and

Whereas, The 7,000 pound truck load limit law is operating to the detriment of those engaged in the business of carrying farm products; and

Whereas, The producers of farm products in this State must depend upon the truck to get their commodities to market; and

7,000 pound truck load limit law is ation of resolutions has expired.

costing the producers of farm products in this State millions of dollars; and

Whereas, Texas highways are capable of handling loads as great as the highways of any State in the Union; and

Whereas, The State of Texas has set its truck load limit far below the truck load limit set by other States of the Union; and

Whereas, Such a low truck load limit operates directly to raise the cost of transportation of agricultural commodities by motor vehicles; and

Whereas, The operation and effect of the present truck load limit law places a trade barrier between Texas industries and Texas producers of farm products, and the market for the products of such industries and producers in other States of the Union; and

Whereas, Under a higher truck load limit law, highway hazards incident to trucking would be less than under the present law, by reason of the fact that fewer trucks would operate upon the highways of this State, and by reason of the fact that the trucking industry could thereby afford to buy and maintain better equipment; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas, That the Railroad Commission of the State of Texas and the Department of Public Safety of the State of Texas are hereby directed and instructed to suspend enforcement of the law known as the 7,000 pound truck load limit law as it applies to farm products with the exception of cotton, until such time as the Legislature of the State of Texas has amended said 7,000 pound truck load limit law so as to raise the truck load limit to a reasonable amount.

# BURNEY. LEONARD.

The resolution was read second time.

Mr. Alsup raised a point of order, on further consideration of the resolution, at this time, on the ground that the resolution attempts to amend the statutes.

Mr. Reed raised a point of order, on further consideration of the resolution, at this time, on the ground Whereas, The enforcement of the that the time allotted for the considerThe Speaker sustained the point of order raised by Mr. Reed.

Mr. Cornett moved that the time allotted for the consideration of resolutions be extended until the above resolution is disposed of.

The motion was lost by the following vote:

# Yeas—51

Allison Howington Bailey Hunt Isaacks Baker of Fort Bend Kern Boethel Kersey Bradbury King Burkett Leonard Burney Little Cauthorn Lock Celaya Loggins Clark Monkhouse Newell Cockrell Coleman Ragsdale Cornett Reader of Erath Crossley Shell Dowell Skiles Ferguson Smith of Frio Fielden Smith of Hopkins Galbreath Spencer Tarwater Gilmer Goodman Taylor Hale Waggoner Hardeman Weldon Westbrook Harp Harrell of Bastrop Worley Wright Harris

# Nays—74

Harrell of Lamar
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Johnson of Ellis
Johnson of Tarrant
Keith
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Langdon
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Leyendecker
McAlister
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Roach	Thornberry
Roberts	Thornton
Robinson	Turner
Russell	Vint
Schuenemann	Voigt
Segrist	Wells
Smith	Wilson
of Matagorda	Winfree
Stinson	Wood
Stoll	

# Absent

Anderson	Heflin
Bradford	Hull
Bridgers	Kinard
Brown	London
of Nacogdoches	Mays
Chambers	McMurry
Colquitt	Petsch
Colson, Mrs.	Piner
Corry	Pope
Davis of Jasper	Reaves
Felty	Vale

#### Absent—Excused

Bray	White
Dean	

EXPRESSING SYMPATHY OF THE HOUSE TO HON. JOSEPH WHITE, JR.

Mr. Harrell of Lamar offered the following resolution:

H. S. R. No. 263, Expressing sympathy of the House to Hon. Joseph White, Jr.

Whereas, Our colleague, the Honorable Joseph White, Jr., is ill at his home, and is unable to be at his desk in the House of Representatives; and

Whereas, We deeply regret his illness and inability to be present; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Members of the

House of Representatives, That we extend our sincere sympathy to Mr. White, and wish for him a speedy recovery; and, be it further Resolved, That the Chief Clerk of

the House be instructed to order suitable flowers sent to the Honorable Joseph White, Jr., at his home, 1504 Congress Avenue, and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Mr. White.

HARRELL of Lamar, TURNER.

The resolution was read second time.

Signed—Morse, Speaker; Allen, Allison, Alsup, Anderson, Bailey, Baker

of Fort Bend, Baker of Grayson, Bell, Blankenship, Boethel, Bond, Boyd, Boyer, Bradbury, Bradford, Bray, Bridgers, Broadfoot, Brown of Cherokee, Brown of Nacogdoches, Bundy, Burkett, Burney, Cauthorn, Celaya, Chambers, Clark, Cleveland, Cockrell, Coleman, Colquitt, Mrs. Colson, Cornett, Corry, Crossley, Daniel, Davis of Jasper, Davis of Upshur, Dean, Dordon, Dickson, Dickson, Dorgan Derden, Dickison, Dickson, Donaghey, Dowell, Dwyer, Faulkner, Felty, Fer-guson, Fielden, Fuchs, Galbreath, Gil-mer, Goodman, Mrs. Gordon, Hale, Hamilton, Hankamer, Hardeman, Hardin, Harp, Harper, Harrell of Bastrop, Harris, Hartzog, Heflin, Holland, Howard, Howington, Hull, Hunt, Isaacks, Johnson of Ellis, Johnson of Tarrant, Keith, Kennedy, Kern, Kerr, Kersey, Kinard, King, Langdon, Lehman, Leonard, Leyendecker, Little, Lock, Loggins, London, Mays, Mc-Aliston, MaDaniel, McDaneld, McEarl Lock, Loggins, London, Mays, Mc-Alister, McDaniel, McDonald, McFarland, McMurry, McNamara, Mohrmann, Monkhouse, Montgomery, Morris, Newell, Nicholson, Oliver, Pace, Petsch, Pevehouse, Piner, Pope, Ragsdale, Reader of Bexar, Reader of Erath, Reaves, Reed, Rhodes, Riviere, Roach, Roberts, Robinson, Russell Roach, Roberts, Robinson, Russell, Schuenemann, Segrist, Shell, Skiles, Smith of Frio, Smith of Hopkins, Smith of Matagorda, Spencer, Stinson, Stoll, Talbert, Tarwater, Taylor, Tennant, Thornberry, Thornton, Vale, Voigt, Waggoner, Weldon, Vint. Wells, Westbrook, Wilson, Wood, Worley and Wright. Winfree,

On motion of Mr. Turner, the names of all the Members of the House were added to the resolution as signers thereof.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

# GRANTING CERTAIN DISTRICT JUDGE PERMISSION TO BE ABSENT FROM THE STATE

Mr. Tarwater offered the following resolution:

H. C. R. No. 130, Granting Hon. C. D. Russell, Judge of the 64th Judicial District of Texas, permission to be absent from the State of Texas while his courts are in vacation, during the year 1939.

Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Texas, the Senate concurring, That Honorable C. D. Russell, Judge of the 64th Gordon, Mrs.

Judicial District of Texas, be, and he is hereby granted permission to be absent from the State of Texas at such intervals of time in 1939, as he may see fit and proper while his courts are in vacation during such year.

The resolution was read second time, and was adopted.

# RELATIVE TO SENATE BILL NO. 70

Mr. Howard moved to suspend the Rules, relative to the making of motions to reconsider, for the purpose of making a motion to reconsider the vote by which Senate Bill No. 70 was passed.

The motion to suspend the Rules prevailed by the following vote:

# Yeas—121

Allen Hamilton Alsup Hankamer Bailey Hardin Baker of Grayson Harp Bell Harper Blankenship Harrell of Bastrop Boethel Harrell of Lamar Bond Harris Boyd Holland Boyer Howard Bradbury Howington Bradford Hunt Brown of Cherokee Isaacks Johnson of Ellis Bundy Johnson of Tarrant Burkett Burney Kennedy Kern Cauthorn Celaya Kerr Kersey Chambers Kinard Clark Cleveland King Cockrell Langdon Coleman Lehman Leonard Colquitt Levendecker Colson, Mrs. Cornett Lock Loggins Corry Crossley London McAlister Daniel Davis of Upshur McDaniel Derden McDonald Dickson McMurry McNamara Donaghey Mohrmann Dowell Faulkner Monkhouse Ferguson Montgomery Morris Fielden Newell Fuchs Nicholson Galbreath Oliver Gilmer Pace

Spencer Petsch Pevehouse Stinson Piner Tarwater Taylor Pope Reader of Erath Tennant Reaves Thornberry Thornton Reed Rhodes Turner Riviere Vale  $\mathbf{Vint}$ Roach Voigt Roberts Waggoner Robinson Weldon Russell Wells Schuenemann Westbrook Segrist Wilson Skiles Smith of Frio Winfree Wood Smith of Hopkins Worley Smith of Matagorda Wright

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Baker of Fort Bend

Present-Not Voting

Brown

of Nacogdoches

#### Absent

Heflin Allison Hull Anderson Bridgers Keith Broadfoot Little Davis of Jasper Mays Dickison McFarland Dwyer Ragsdale Reader of Bexar Felty Goodman Shell Hale Stoll Hardeman Talbert Hartzog

Absent—Excused

Bray Dean White

On motion of Mr. Howard, the vote was reconsidered, by which Senate Bill No. 70 was passed.

Question—Shall Senate Bill No. 70 be passed?

Mr. Howard offered the following amendments to the bill:

Amend Senate Bill No. 70, Section 1, by striking therefrom the following, wherever it appears: "unless specifically alleged in such plea", and to correct the punctuations in the body and caption by reason of these amendments.

Amend Senate Bill No. 70, by strik-ing out of the caption the following: Howin "Subdivisions 8 and 9 of", and by Hunt

striking out "unless specifically alleged in such plea".

The amendments were adopted by the following vote:

# Yeas--121

Allen Isaacks Johnson of Ellis Allison Alsup Johnson of Tarrant Bailey Kennedy Baker Kern Kerr of Fort Bend Bell Kersey Boethel Kinard Bond Lehman Boyd Leonard Boyer Little Bradbury Lock Bradford London Bridgers McAlister Broadfoot McDaniel Brown of Cherokee McDonald Brown McFarland of Nacogdoches McMurry Bundy Mohrmann Burkett Monkhouse Burney Montgomery Cauthorn Morris Newell Celaya Nicholson Chambers Cleveland Oliver Pace Cockrell Petsch Coleman Colquitt Pevehouse Colson, Mrs. Piner Reader of Bexar Corry Crossley Reader of Erath Daniel Reaves Davis of Upshur Reed Derden Rhodes Riviere Dickson Donaghey Roach Roberts Dowell Dwyer Robinson Faulkner Russell Ferguson Schuenemann Fielden Segrist **Fuchs** Shell Skiles Galbreath Goodman Smith of Frio Smith of Hopkins Gordon, Mrs. Hale Smith of Matagorda Hamilton Spencer Hankamer Talbert Hardeman Tarwater Hardin Taylor Harp Harper Tennant Harrell of Lamar Thornberry Thornton Harris

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Waggoner Winfree
Weldon Wood
Wells Worley
Westbrook Wright

#### Absent

Anderson Keith Baker of Grayson King Langdon Blankenship Leyendecker Clark Loggins Cornett Davis of Jasper Mays McNamara Dickison Felty Pope Ragsdale Gilmer Harrell of Bastrop Stinson Hartzog Stoll Wilson Heflin Hull

Absent-Excused

Bray Dean White

Senate Bill No. 70 was then passed by the following vote:

#### Yeas-124

Allen Faulkner Ferguson Allison Fielden Alsup Fuchs Bailey Galbreath Baker of Fort Bend Goodman Gordon, Mrs. Bell Blankenship Hale Hamilton Boethel Bond Hankamer Hardeman Boyd Boyer Hardin Harp Bradbury Bradford Harper Broadfoot Harrell of Bastrop Brown of Cherokee Harrell of Lamar Harris Bundy Burkett Holland Burney Howard Howington Cauthorn Hunt Celaya Chambers Isaacks Johnson of Ellis Cleveland Johnson of Tarrant Cockrell Kennedy Coleman Kern Colquitt Colson, Mrs. Kerr Kersey Corry Crossley Kinard Daniel King Davis of Upshur Langdon Derden Lehman Dickson Leonard Donaghey Levendecker Dowell Little Dwyer Lock

London Schuenemann McAlister Segrist Skiles McDaniel McDonald Smith of Frio McFarland Smith of Hopkins McMurry Smith of Matagorda Mohrmann Monkhouse Spencer Montgomery Stoll Talbert Morris Tarwater Newell Nicholson Taylor Oliver Tennant Pace Thornberry Thornton Petsch Pevehouse Turner Piner Vale Reader of Bexar  ${f v}$  int Reader of Erath  ${f v}$ oig ${f t}$ Weldon Reaves Reed Wells Rhodes Westbrook Wilson Riviere Roach Winfree Roberts Wood Worley Robinson Wright Russell

Present-Not Voting

Brown

of Nacogdoches

# Absent

Hull Anderson Baker of Grayson Keith Bridgers Loggins Mays McNamara Clark Cornett Davis of Jasper Pope Ragsdale Dickison Felty Shell Stinson Gilmer Hartzog Waggoner Heflin

Absent—Excused

Bray Dean White

# RELATIVE TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1047

Mr. Wilson asked unanimous consent of the House, to change the word "obtained" to "sustained" wherever it occurs in House Bill No. 1047 after the word "damages".

There was no objection offered, and it was so ordered.

# RELATIVE TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1051

Mr. Wilson asked unanimous consent of the House, to change the word "obtained" to "sustained" wher-

ever it occurs in House Bill No. 1051 after the word "damages".

There was no objection offered, and it was so ordered.

# RELATIVE TO HOUSE BILL NO. 543

On motion of Mr. Smith of Frio, and by unanimous consent of the House, the caption of House Bill No. 543 was ordered amended to conform to all changes and with the body of the bill.

# RELATIVE TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1054

On motion of Mr. Harris, and by unanimous consent of the House, the caption of House Bill No. 1054 was ordered amended to conform to all changes and with the body of the bill.

# RELATIVE TO HOUSE BILL NO. 994

Mr. Oliver asked unanimous consent of the House, to add the words "school districts located in" after the words "and in all" and before the words "counties having a population not less than 12,460", in House Bill No. 994, being a local bill.

There was no objection offered, and it was so ordered.

# RELATIVE TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1015

Mr. Cleveland asked unanimous consent of the House, to insert the words "and said Rule is hereby suspended" at the proper place in the emergency clause of House Bill No. 1015.

There was no objection offered, and it was so ordered.

# HOUSE BILL NO. 688 ON PAS-SAGE TO ENGROSSMENT

The Speaker laid before the House, as unfinished business, on its passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 688, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Sections 1 and 6 of Chapter 13, Acts of the Third Called Session of the Forty-second Legislature, and to amend Section 7 of Chapter 13, Acts of the Third Called Session of the Forty-second Legislature, as amended by Chapter Kennedy Keith Called Session of the Regular Session of the Forty-third Legislature, as amended by Chapter 117, Acts of the Leonard

First Called Session of the Forty-third Legislature, as amended by Chapter 326, Acts of the Regular Session of the Forty-fourth Legislature, and as amended by Chapter 370, Acts of the Regular Session of the Forty-fifth Legislature, relative to the Board of County and District Road Indebtedness; and providing that if any portion hereof be unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, the remaining part shall, nevertheless, be in full force and effect; repealing all laws or parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

The bill having heretofore been read second time with amendment by Mr. Tarwater, and motion by Mr. Keith to table the amendment by Mr. Tarwater, pending.

(Mr. Keith having withdrawn the pending substitute amendment offered by himself for the amendment by Mr. Tarwater.)

# (Mr. Leonard in the Chair.)

(Speaker in the Chair.)

Question recurring on the motion to table the amendment by Mr. Tarwater, yeas and nays were demanded.

The motion to table was lost by the following vote:

# Yeas-57

Alsup Lock Baker Loggins Mays of Fort Bend Baker of Grayson McAlister Boyd McDonald Bradford McNamara Broadfoot Morris Brown of Cherokee Pace Burkett Piner Celaya Pope Colson, Mrs. Reed Corry Rhodes Davis of Upshur Roach Dickison Russell Dowell Smith of Hopkins Ferguson Smith Galbreath of Matagorda Gordon, Mrs. Spencer Talbert Hale Tennant Hamilton Harrell of Lamar Thornberry Turner Hartzog Heflin Waggoner Weldon Holland Johnson of TarrantWells Keith Westbrook Wilson Wood Wright

# Nays-82

Howington Allen Allison Hunt Anderson Isaacks Johnson of Ellis Bailey Bell Kersey Blankenship King Lehman Boethel Leyendecker Bond Little Boyer London Bradbury McDaniel Bridgers Brown McFarland of Nacogdoches McMurry Mohrmann Bundy Burney Monkhouse Cauthorn Montgomery Chambers Newell Clark Nicholson Oliver Cleveland Cockrell Petsch Pevehouse Coleman Colquitt Ragsdale Reader of Bexar Cornett Reader of Erath Crossley Reaves Daniel Derden Riviere Dickson Roberts Robinson Donaghey Schuenemann Dwyer Faulkner Segrist Skiles Felty Fuchs Smith of Frio Gilmer Stinson Stoll Goodman Tarwater Hankamer Hardeman Taylor Thornton Hardin Vale Harp  $\mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{int}}$ Harper Harrell of Bastrop Voigt Harris Worley Howard

Absent

Davis of Jasper Langdon Fielden Shell Hull Winfree Kinard

Absent—Excused

White Bray Dean

Mr. Mays offered the following amendment to the amendment by Mr. Tarwater:

Amend Tarwater substitute for House Bill No. 688, by adding a new Section, 4A, to read as follows: "All counties now receiving tax remissions either in whole or in part shall Question recurring on the amend-have deducted from this alloca-tion from their part, an amount equal were demanded.

to the amount of taxes they are getting remitted which amount shall be returned to the General Fund of the State of Texas to replace the revenue lost by the remission of their taxes."

> MAYS BAKER of Grayson, KENNEDY. SPENCER, HOWINGTON, WELDON, CHAMBERS.

Mr. Bradbury moved the previous question on the pending amendments, and the engrossment of House Bill No. 688, and the main question was ordered.

Mr. Thornton raised a point of order, on further consideration of the amendment by Mr. Mays, at this time, on the ground that the amendment is not germane to the bill.

The Speaker overruled the point of order.

Mr. Thornton raised a point of order on further consideration of the amendment by Mr. Mays, at this time, on the ground that the amendment changes the original purpose of the bill.

The Speaker sustained the point of order.

Mr. Mays (by unanimous consent) offered the following amendment to the amendment by Mr. Tarwater:

Amend Tarwater substitute to House Bill No. 688 by adding a new Section 4a, to read, as follows:

All counties now receiving or who shall hereafter receive remission of State ad valorem taxes either in whole or in part shall have deducted from the amount such counties are receive hereunder an entitled to amount equal to the amount of taxes received under said remission, which amount shall remain in the County Lateral Road Fund for further distribution under the terms of this Act."

> MAYS. LEHMAN, BAKER of Grayson, MORRIS, KEITH, CHAMBERS, KENNEDY, WELDON, SPENCER.

The amendment was lost by the Reader of Bexar following vote: Reader of Erath

# Yeas—64

Allen Johnson of Tarrant Alsup Keith Bailey Kennedy Baker of Grayson Kern Blankenship Kerr Boyd Langdon Bradbury Lehman Broadfoot Loggins Brown London of Nacogdoches Mays Cauthorn McDaniel Chambers McFarland Coleman Morris Colquitt Newell Cornett Pace Corry Pevehouse Daniel Piner Davis of Jasper Reed Davis of Upshur Roach Derden Russell Dickison Skiles Dickson Smith of Hopkins Faulkner Spencer Ferguson Talbert Fielden Taylor Hale Tennant Hamilton Vint Hardeman Waggoner Weldon Harper Harrell of Bastrop Wells Harris Wood Howington Worley Hunt

# Nays-75

Allison Hankamer Baker Hardin of Fort Bend Hartzog Heflin Rell Boethel Holland Boyer Howard Bradford Isaacks Bridgers Johnson of Ellis Brown of Cherokee Kersey Bundy Kinard Burkett King Burney Leonard Celaya Little Clark Lock Cleveland McAlister Cockrell McDonald McMurry Colson, Mrs. Crossley McNamara Donaghey Mohrmann Dwyer Monkhouse Felty Montgomery Fuchs Nicholson Galbreath Oliver Gilmer Petsch Pope Goodman Gordon, Mrs. Ragsdale

Stinson Reader of Erath Stoll Reaves Tarwater Thornberry Rhodes Riviere Thornton Roberts Turner Robinson Vale Voigt Schuenemann Segrist Westbrook Wilson Shell Smith of Frio Winfree Smith Wright of Matagorda

# Absent

Anderson Harrell of Lamar Bond Hull Dowell Leyendecker Harp

Absent—Excused

Bray White Dean

Question recurring on the amendment by Mr. Tarwater, as amended, it was adopted.

By unanimous consent of the House, the caption of the bill was ordered amended to conform to all changes, and with the body of the bill.

House Bill No. 688 was then passed to engrossment.

# HOUSE BILL NO. 688 ON THIRD READING

Mr. Tarwater moved that the constitutional rule, requiring bills to be read on three several days, be suspended, and that House Bill No. 688 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

# Yeas—121

Allen Bundy. Allison Burkett Burney Alsup Anderson Cauthorn Bailey Celaya Baker Chambers Clark of Fort Bend Baker of Grayson Cleveland Cockrell Rell Boethel Coleman Colquitt Boyd Boyer Cornett Bradbury Crossley Bridgers Daniel Broadfoot

Broadfoot Davis of Jasper Brown Davis of Upshur

of Nacogdoches Derden

Dickison McFarland McMurry Dickson McNamara Donaghey Mohrmann Dowell Monkhouse Dwyer Montgomery Faulkner Morris Felty Newell Ferguson Fielden Pace Petsch Fuchs Pevehouse Galbreath Gilmer Piner Ragsdale Goodman Gordon, Mrs. Reader of Bexar Reader of Erath Hale Reaves Hamilton Reed Hankamer Rhodes Hardeman Riviere Hardin Roach Harp Harrell of Bastrop Roberts Harrell of Lamar Russell Harris Schuenemann Segrist Hartzog Shell Heflin Skiles Holland Smith of Frio Howard Smith of Hopkins Howington Smith Hull Hunt of Matagorda Spencer Isaacks Stinson Johnson of Ellis Keith Stoll Talbert Kennedy Kern Taylor Kersey Turner King Voigt Lehman Waggoner Leonard Weldon Wells Little Wilson Lock Winfree Loggins London Wood Mays  $\mathbf{Worley}$ McDaniel Wright

# Nays-13

Blankenship McAlister
Bradford McDonald
Colson, Mrs. Nicholson
Corry Robinson
Johnson of Tarrant Tennant
Kerr Thornton
Kinard

### Absent

Bond Pope
Brown of Cherokee Tarwater
Harper Thornberry
Langdon Vale
Levendecker Vint
Oliver Westbrook

# Absent—Excused

Bray Dean White

The Speaker then laid House Bill No. 688 before the House on third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time. Question—Shall House Bill No. 688 be passed?

# APPOINTMENT OF CONFER-ENCE COMMITTEE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 194

The Speaker announced the appointment of the following Conference Committee on House Bill No. 194: Messrs. Dean, Kinard, Morris, Dickison and Kersey.

# MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Austin, Texas, May 5, 1939. Hon. R. Emmett Morse, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has granted the request of the House for a Conference Committee to adjust the differences between the two Houses on House Bill No. 256.

The following have been appointed on the part of the Senate: Senators Roberts, Burns, Lemens, Moffett and Winfield.

The Senate has granted the request of the House for a Conference Committee to adjust the differences between the two Houses on House Bill No. 257.

The following have been appointed on the part of the Senate: Senators Roberts, Brownlee, Kelley, Spears, and Small.

The Senate has adopted S. C. R. No. 45, Relative to display of map of the proposed Big Bend National Park.

Respectfully,
BOB BARKER,
Secretary of the Senate.

# ADOPTION OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT ON SENATE BILL NO. 135

Mr. Bond submitted the following Conference Committee Report on Senate Bill No. 135:

Austin, Texas, May 4, 1939. Hon. Coke Stevenson, President of the Senate.

Hon. Emmett Morse, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sirs: We, your Conference Committee, appointed to adjust the differences between the Senate and the House of Representatives on Senate Bill No. 135, have had the same under consideration and we recommend to the Senate and to the House of Representatives that such bill pass in the form attached hereto.

Respectfully submitted,

MOORE,
NELSON,
ROBERTS,
LEMENS,
SHIVERS,
On the part of the Senate.
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S. B. No. 135

# A BILL

# To Be Entitled

An Act applying and relating to and embracing all insurance companies and associations, whether incorporated or not, issuing policies or certificates of insurance on the lives of persons or providing health and accident benefits upon the so-called mutual assessment plan or whose funds are derived from assessments upon policy-holders or members, applying and including all life, health and accident companies or associations which do not come within the provisions of Chapter 3, Chapter 5, Chapter 7, Chapter 8, Chapter 9, Chapter 18, Chapter 19 or Chapter 20, Title 78 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, and include local mutual aid associations; statewide life; or life, health and accident associations; mutual assessment life, health and accident associations; burial associations; and similar concerns, by whatsoever name or class designated. specifically whether named herein or not; defining terms and words used in the Act and giving authority to the Board of Insurance Commissioners of the State of Texas with reference to the names of associations formed under

said Act and full power with reference to the issuance of certificates and the regulation of such companies, or associations, whether incorporated or not; authorizing the Board of Insurance Commissioners of the State of Texas to remove officers, employees and others under certain circumstances; requiring bonds of officers and employees and requiring deposits with the State Treasurer, through the Board of Insurance Commissioners, of cash or convertible securities as provided in said Act; requiring the keeping of a list of members and proper statistical records, and records as to amounts paid on assessments and the funds distributed between expense and mortuary or relief funds and the amounts paid; prohibiting the transferring of any group or part thereof under certain circumstances; requiring the keeping of books and records as required by this Act; providing for forms of policies or certificates issued and what the same shall and shall not contain; giving power and authority to the Board of Insurance Commissioners with reference to the approval and disapproval thereof: making it unlawful to assume liability on any life insurance risk on any one life in an amount in excess of Five Thousand (\$5,000.00) Dollars; providing for assessments as will meet the reasonable operating expense of the association and providing for the payment in full of the claims arising under certificates issued, and providing for the filing with the Board of Insurance Commissioners rate schedules; providing for the dividing of funds, one shall be the mortuary or relief fund and the expense or general fund, and the placing of at least sixty per cent (60%) of assess-ments collected in the mortuary or relief fund and for the investment of the mortuary or relief funds; requiring the keeping of by-laws, and specifically designating certain provisions to be inserted therein: providing for separate records to be kept for the mortuary or relief funds of each group, club or class, and the mortuary or relief funds of one group, club or class, and prohibiting the use of the funds of one group, club or class to be used to pay the claims or obligations of

any other group, club or class; requiring the payment of claims in full within a certain period; providing for a notice of claims and granting to the Board of Insurance Commissioners of the State of Texas full authority to cancel certificates under certain conditions; making exceptions with reference to the payment of claims in full under certain conditions; providing for the creation of new groups, clubs and classes, and the payment of benefits; providing for payment on certificates already in force and making provisions with reference to amending the by-laws of the association; providing for the appointment of a conservator under certain conditions and management by the Board of Insurance Commissioners of the State of Texas through a conservator, authorized to be appointed under this Act; and providing for reinsurance and providing for liquidation and for reports to the Attorney General with reference to the forfeiture or cancellation of the charter of associations reinsured or liquidated; repealing Section 29, Chapter 274, Acts of the Forty-first Legislature, 1929, page 563, in so far as same is in conflict with the provisions of this Act relative to burial associations, and repealing parts of Section 6, Chapter 245, Acts of the Forty-third Legislature as amended by Chapter 257, Acts of the Fortyfifth Legislature, exempting from its provisions any corporation, association or partnership, individual or joint stock company engaged in the undertaking business or to any advertising corporation, association and/or membership, individual, or joint stock company, with whom they have contracts; defining "burial associations", and making provisions for the regulation thereof: authorizing organizations thereof under Chapter 274, Acts of the Forty-first Legislature, 1929, and amendments thereto; providing for their operation under Chapter 274, Acts of the Forty-first Legislature. 1929, and amendments thereto, and this Act, making it unlawful for any individuals, firms, co-partnerships, corporations or associations other than those defined in this

which in any event may be paid wholly or partly in merchandise or services; and providing for certain provisions in the policies and/or certificates issued by burial associations and for the payment by said associations in cash or by merchandise and burial service; authorizing the promulgation of rules and regulations by the Board of Insurance Commissioners of the State of Texas; providing that nothing in the Act shall be construed to include or affect mutual fire insurance companies; affixing certain penalties for violations of the Act; giving until January 1, 1940, to comply with this Act, and providing for full payment of claims and the reduction of the benefits of outstanding certificates under certain circumstances; repealing all laws in conflict with the provisions of this Act; containing a provision that any part of this Act be held unconstitutional the remaining part shall nevertheless remain in full force and effect; providing that the fees collected under this Act paid to the Board of Insurance Commissioners shall be used by the Life Insurance Commissioner toward the enforcement of and carrying out the purposes of this Act, and declaring an emergency.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. Scope of Act. This Act shall apply to and embrace all insurance companies and associations, whether incorporated or not, which issue policies or certificates of insurance on the lives of persons, or provide health and accident benefits, upon the so-called mutual assessment plan, or whose funds are derived from the assessments upon its policyholders or members, and shall, in fact, apply to all life, health and accident companies or associations which do not come within the provisions of Chapter 3, Chapter 5, Chapter 7, Chapter 8, Chapter 9, Chapter 18, Chapter 19, C Chapter 19, or Chapter 20, Title 78 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas. This Act shall include local mutual aid associations; statewide life; or life, health and accident associations; mutual assessment life, health and accident associations; burial associa-Act, to engage in the business of tions; and similar concerns, by what-providing burial or funeral benefits, soever name or class designated,

whether specifically named herein or not

This Act does not enlarge the powers or rights of any of such associations nor enlarge the scope of their legal or corporate existence; nor authorize the creation of any association or corporation to do any of the sorts of business above indicated, where such creation is not now specifically permitted by law. The laws prohibiting or limiting such creation and the exercise of corporate power are not affected by this Act.

Section 2. Definitions. The following terms when used in this Act shall be defined:

"Association" shall refer to and include all types of organizations, corporations, firms, associations, or groups subject to the provisions of this Act.

"Board" shall refer to the Board of Insurance Commissioners of the State

of Texas.

"Member" shall include policyholders or any persons insured by an association, by whatsoever means the

insurance may be effective.

"Certificate" shall include any insurance policy or contract of insurance, certificate of membership or other document through which insur-

ance is effected or evidenced.
"Face of certificate" shall refer to
the maximum amount of promised

benefits, as shown on the certificate. "Paid in full" or "full payment" shall mean the payment of the full amount of maximum benefit due on the happening of the contingency insured against.

"Insolvent" shall refer to and include any condition or situation which is so designated herein and which is violative of the provisions of this law.

"Assessment" shall include premiums and means any and all money or valuable thing paid in consideration of such insurance as is afforded by the certificate.

"Membership fee" shall be the amount of the first assessment or assessments permitted by the Board to be placed in the expense fund of associations, representing cost of soliciting or procuring the member.

Section 3. Names of Associations. Upon application for charter to do business in Texas the Board of Inthe preceding paragraph, and in addisurance Commissioners may determine tion to the bond already required by whether the name of the association law of certain associations subject to

would be confusing and misleading to the public; if so, it may refuse the certificate or charter, and prohibit the doing of business under the name.

Any amendment to the charter of an association operating under this Act, changing the name of the association, must be submitted to the Board of Insurance Commissioners for approval; and the charter of any association operating under this Act may not be amended to provide for changing its name to a name that is determined by the Board of Insurance Commissioners to be confusing and misleading to the public.

Section 4. Officers of Associations. The Board of Insurance Commissioners shall not issue to any association a certificate of authority to do business in Texas, when it shall find any officer, employee, or member of the board of directors to be unworthy of the trust or confidence of the public. After a certificate has been granted, the board shall order the removal of any officer, employee, or director found unworthy of the trust, and if such officer, employee, or director be not removed, the Board shall cancel the certificate and proceed to deal with the association as though it was insolvent.

Section 5. Bonds of Officers and Employees. Associations not already required by law to furnish a bond for the officer responsible for the handling of funds of the members, shall furnish a bond in some surety licensed by the Board to do business in Texas in the minimum amount of One Thousand (\$1,000.00) Dollars, said bond to be kept at all times at least equal to the mortuary or relief fund balance on hand, with a maximum of Twenty Thousand (\$20,000.00) Dollars. Said bond shall be made payable to the Board of Insurance Commissioners for the use and benefit of the members of the association, and shall obligate the principal and surety to pay such pecuniary loss as the association shall sustain through acts of fraud, dishonesty, forgery, theft, embezzlement, wrongful abstraction or willful misapplication on the part of such officer, either directly and alone, or in connivance with others.

In addition to the bond required in

this Act, each association shall procure for all other office employees, or other persons who may have access to any of its claim funds, separate bonds or blanket bonds with some surety licensed by the Board to do business in Texas, in an amount or amounts fixed by the Board with a minimum of One Thousand (\$1,000.00) Dollars and a maximum of Five Thousand (\$5,000.00) Dollars, payable to the Board of Insurance Commissioners for the use and benefit of the association obligating the principal and surety to pay such pecuniary loss the association shall sustain through acts of fraud, dishonesty, forgery, theft, embezzlement, wrongful abstraction or willful misapplication on the part of such persons, either directly and alone, or in con-nivance with others. Successive re-coveries on any of the bonds pro-vided for in this Section may be had on such bonds until same are exhausted.

Section 6. Deposits. Each association, not already required by existing laws to do so, shall place with the State Treasurer through the Board of Insurance Commissioners a deposit equal to the largest risk assumed on any one life or person, which may be in cash or in convertible securities subject to approval by the Board. Such deposit shall be liable for the payment of all judgments against the association, and subject to garnishment after final judgments against the association. When such deposit becomes impounded or depleted it shall at once be replenished by the association, and if not replenished immediately on demand by the Board, the association may be regarded as insolvent and dealt with as hereinafter provided.

When any association shall desire to state in advertisements, letters, literature or otherwise, that it has made a deposit with the Board as required by law, it must also state in full the purpose of the deposit, the conditions under which it is made, and the exact amount and character

thereof.

Section 7. Membership. Each association shall keep a complete and correct roster of its members with proper statistical records for the purpose of determining proper cost of insurance, by ages or otherwise, and shall keep accurate records of groups, tificate is to provide that misstate-

classes or clubs or other division of memberships, if any; and shall keep records to show amounts paid in on assessments by each member and each group; and as to groups, must show how the funds are distributed between expense and mortuary or relief funds, and showing the amounts paid out of the funds of the whole membership or each group in death claims or other benefits.

The associations subject to this law are hereby expressly prohibited from merging with another association, are prohibited from "transferring" any part or group of membership, or all the membership to another associa-tion, or from merging groups or transferring members from one group to another in an association without the consent in advance of the Board of Insurance Commissioners which may be given only after complete investigation into the facts and determination that such transfer or merger is to the advantage of members of the association or groups to be affected.

Section 8. Books and Records. All the records and books of each association shall be kept in the shape, form and manner acceptable to the Board, and if such records and books of any association are kept in such manner as not to reflect truly and accurately the condition of the association, or the facts essential to its faithful and effective operation, the association shall at once adopt forms or systems acceptable to the Board which will serve the purpose most effectively.

Section 9. Policies or Certificates. Every policy or certificate of insurance issued by an association shall state definitely on the front page the amount of death benefit to be paid. and the circumstances or conditions under which it shall be paid shall be plainly stated in the policy. Every health, accident or other benefit shall be plainly stated in the policy, and the terms and conditions under which they shall be paid shall be stated plainly in the policy.

An application for each certificate must be signed by the applicant, unless the applicant is a minor, in which event the application may be signed by a parent or guardian; and a copy thereof must be attached to and made part of such certificate. If the cerment as to the health or physical laws regulating such associations as condition of the applicant may void are embraced in this Act. the policy within the contestable period, the application shall so state sociation call in and reissue outstandin not less than ten point type in language acceptable to the Board. All cation to the Board and if special statements in the application shall in the absence of fraud be regarded as representations and not warranties.

All conditions of the certificate must be stated thereon, including such portions of the by-laws of the association as may affect the insurance rights of the parties in any material way; and amendments to the by-laws which might affect such rights of members must forthwith be mailed by first-class mail to each certificate holder affected. In case of controversy the burden of proof shall be on the company to prove the amendment was mailed to the member. Each certificate must provide that it shall be incontestable, after having been in force during the lifetime of the insured for a period of two years from date of issue, except for non-payment of assessments; provided, however, any association may issue a certificate providing a benefit less than the maximum benefit named in the face of the certificate in case of the death of the member by his own hand while sane or insane. It shall also provide that in case the age of the insured is misstated, the amount of insurance shall be that which the premium actually paid would purchase at the correct age, based on rates in force at the time of the death of the insured. No certificate issued by such association, nor any application for the cer-tificate shall contain language or be in such form as to mislead the applicant or the policyholder as to the type of insurance afforded.

It shall be unlawful for any association to assume liability on a life insurance risk on any one life in an amount in excess of Five Thousand (\$5,000.00) Dollars.

Every certificate issued must be approved by the Board as to form and language before it is used by an association. It is not mandatory that these forms be uniform for all associations, but the Board is directed to bring about as great uniformity as is feasible as early as practicable by cooperation with the several associations. All certificate forms hereafter used must be in accord with the provisions of this Act and with all other thereof, unless the reinstatement or

It will not be required that an ascation to the Board and if special permission is granted by the Board, it shall by appropriate resolution or other action declare that claims and other obligations on outstanding certificates will be settled and met as though the requirements of this Act were contained in such certificates; and provided further that the association acts accordingly.

Sec. 10. Renewals of Certificates. In case a certificate shall terminate for any reason, and in case it shall be a rule of the association that all reinstated certificates shall be regarded as new certificates, then the application for reinstatement shall carry the statement in at least ten point type that the same rules apply to it as to the original certificate, and that it can be invalidated within the contestable period for false statements respecting the health or physical condition of the applicant, or other matters material to the risk. A true and correct copy of the application for reinstatement shall be mailed by first-class mail to the certificate holder upon the reinstatement of the certificate. In case of controversy the burden of proof shall be on the association to prove the copy of reinstatement application was mailed to the member. In the event a renewal certificate is issued, such renewal certificate shall have a copy of the application for reinstatement attached and made a part thereof.

It is specially provided, however, that in case an association shall renew or reinstate a certificate after termination, the payments by the reinstated member shall be divided between the funds in the same percentage as is required of regular payments in the particular by-laws, unless nine months have elapsed between termination and reinstatement. If nine months have elapsed between termination and reinstatement, a reinstatement fee not in excess of the membership fee may be charged and placed in the expense fund. Furthermore, in case of renewal or reinstatement, the renewal or reinstatement certificate shall not be contestable for any cause except non-payment of assessments for longer than six months from date

renewal is within the original two year contestable period, in which case the same may be extended for six months from the date on which it would have originally expired.

Sec. 11. Assessments. Each association shall levy regular and periodical assessments by whatever name they may be called. These assessments must be in such amounts and at such proper intervals as will meet the reasonable operating expenses of the association, and pay in full the claims arising under its certificates. When or if in the course of operation it shall be apparent that the claims cannot be met in full from current assessments and funds on hand, the amount must be increased until they are adequate to meet such claims, and the Board shall so order.

When any association shall refuse to comply with the Board's recommendation or requirements respecting rates of assessments, it shall be treated as insolvent, and shall be dealt with as is hereinafter provided.

Each association operating under the provisions of this Act shall file its rate schedules with the Board of Insurance Commissioners.

Sec. 12. Funds. Assessments when collected shall be divided into at least two funds. One of these shall be the mortuary or relief fund, by whatever name it may be called in the different associations, from which claims under certificates shall be paid, and to a limited extent the cost of defending contested claims, and nothing else; and the other funds shall be the expense funds from which expenses may be paid. At least sixty (60%) per cent of assessments collected, except the membership fee must be placed in the mortuary or relief fund. The mortuary or relief funds may be invested only in such securities as are a legal investment for the reserve funds of stock life insurance companies.

Such association shall provide in its by-laws for the portion of its assessments to be allotted to the mortuary or relief fund and may provide for the payment out of said mortuary or relief fund of attorneys' fees and necessary expenses arising out of the defense, settlement, or payment of contested claims. Any such payments out of the mortuary or relief fund for other than claims shall be subject to approval of the Board of Insurance Commissioners.

A separate record shall be kept of the mortuary or relief funds of each group, club, or class, and the mortuary or relief funds of one group, club, or class shall not be used to pay the claims or obligations of any other group, club, or class.

Sec. 13. Payment of Claims. It is the primary purpose of this Act to secure to the members of the associations and their beneficiaries the full and prompt payment of all claims according to the maximum benefit provided in their certificates. It is therefore required of all associations that all claims under certificates be paid in full within sixty (60) days after receipt of due proof of claims.

Written notice of claim given to the association shall be deemed due proof in the event the association fails upon receipt of notice to furnish the claimant, within fifteen (15) days, such forms as are usually furnished by it for filing claims.

Any association which shall become unable to pay its valid claims in full within sixty (60) days after due proofs are received, shall for the purpose of this Act be regarded as insolvent, and dealt with as is more fully provided hereinafter.

Sec. 14. Contests. It shall not be

Sec. 14. Contests. It shall not be unlawful for an association to contest claims for valid reasons; but claims may not be contested for delay only or for captious or inconsequential reasons, or to force settlement at less than full payment. Therefore, if liability is to be denied on any claim, the association is hereby required to notify the claimant within sixty (60) days after due proofs are received that the claim will not be paid, and failing to do so, it will be presumed as a matter of law that liability has been accepted.

The Board shall cancel the certificate of authority of any association found to be operating fraudulently or improperly contesting its claims.

Reports regarding the cost of contests must be made under oath of an officer of the association, with the annual report of all associations to the Board.

Sec. 15. Assessment - as - needed Groups. The provisions of this Act requiring the full payment of claims shall not apply to any group, club, or class previously organized and now operating on the post-mortem or assessment-as-needed plan and any association having such a group, club,

or class may continue to operate it on said plan so long as any such group, or class has a sufficient memat the assessment rate bership charged to produce, and so long as it does produce, for the mortuary or re-lief fund at least fifty (50%) per cent of the maximum value of the largest policy in said group, club or class. In the event the membership of any group, club or class is only sufficient in number to pay between fifty (50%) per cent and one hundred (100%) per cent of the maximum value, it shall be the duty of the officers of said association to have printed on each assessment notice the percentage of the maximum value of the certificate actually paid on the last death claim in said group, club, or class. Provided further, that no association and no group, club, or class in any association shall here-after be organized to operate on the post-mortem or assessment-as-needed plan.

If on any assessment the amount realized is not sufficient to pay fifty (50%) per cent of the face of the certificate, the association shall be deemed insolvent and dealt with as

hereinafter provided.

Sec. 16. Creation of New Groups. In the creation of a new group, class, or club, an association may have six (6) months from the date of its creation within which to build said group, club, or class up to the required membership to pay claims in full, provided in the interim the certificates provide for no more than a Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollar benefit, unless the association has funds out of which it may lawfully make and actually does make the full payment of benefits in the interim. Creation of any new group shall be subject to advance approval by the Board of Insurance Commissioners.

Sec. 17. Payments on Certificates Already in Force. If the payments of the members of any association coming within the scope of this Act, on certificates issued and in force when this Act takes effect, reinsurance or renewals of such certificates, shall prove insufficient to pay matured death and disability claims in the maximum amount stated in such policies or certificates, and to provide for the creation and maintenance of the funds required by its laws, such association may with the approval of the Board of Insurance in for itself, or through a conservator appointed by the Life Insurance Commissioner for that purpose, shall immediately take charge of such association, and all of the property and effects thereof. If the Board is satisfied that such association can best serve its policyholders and the public through its continued operation by the conservator under the direction of new directors and officers by the membership in such manner as the Board may determine, the same shall be done. If the Board, however, is

Commissioners and after proper hearing before said Board provide for meeting such deficiency by additional, increased, or extra rates of payment, or by reduction in the maximum benefits stated in such policies or certificates then in force, or by both such increased payments and reduced maximum benefits, or the members may be given the option of agreeing to reduced maximum benefits, or of making increased payments.

Sec. 18. Amending By-Laws. By-Laws of any association may be amended by a majority of the members of the association present when ratified by the Board of Directors, but only at meetings called for that purpose, or at regular meetings. Amendments to the By-laws shall not be effective until approved by the Board of Insurance Commissioners. Notice of all meetings, whether regular or special, at which amendments to by-laws will be considered, must be mailed to all members. Such notices must contain full copies of the proposed changes in the by-laws and fair explanations of the intent and effect thereof.

Sec. 19. Conservator. If, upon an examination or at any other time, it appears to the Board of Insurance Commissioners that such association be insolvent, or its condition be, in the opinion of the Board, such as to render the continuance of its business hazardous to the public, or to holders of its certificates, or if such association appears to have exceeded its powers or failed to comply with the law, then the Board shall notify the association of its determination and said association shall have thirty (30) days under the supervision of the Board within which to comply with the requirements of the Board; and in the event of its failure to so comply within such time, the Board, acting for itself, or through a conservator appointed by the Life Insurance Commissioner for that purpose, shall immediately take charge of such association, and all of the property and effects thereof. If the Board is satisfied that such association can best serve its policyholders and the public through its continued operation by the conservator under the direction of said Board, pending the election of new directors and officers by the membership in such manner as the Board may determine, the same shall be done. If the Board, however, is

satisfied that such association is not in condition to satisfactorily continue business in the interest of its policy-holders under the conservator as the conservator as above provided, the Board shall proceed to reinsure the outstanding liabilities in some solvent association or company, authorized to transact business in this State, or the Board shall proceed through such conservator, to liquidate such association, or the Board may give notice to the Attorney General as provided under the general laws relating to insurance cor-porations. It shall be in the discretion of the Board to determine whether or not it will operate the association through a conservator, as provided above, or proceed to liquidate the association, as herein provided, or report it to the Attorney General. When the liabilities of an association are reinsured or liquidated, as herein provided, the Board shall report the same to the Attorney General, who shall take such action as may be necessary to effect the forfeiture or cancellation of the charter of the association so reinsured or liquidated. Where the Board lends its approval to the merger, transfer or consolidation of the membership of one association with that of another, the same shall be reported to the Attorney General who shall proceed to effect the forfeiture or cancellation of the charter of the association from which the membership was merged, transferred or consolidated, in the same manner as is provided for the char-ters of associations reinsured or liquidated. No merger or transfer shall be approved unless the association assuming the members transfer-red or merged is operating under the supervision of the Board of Insurance Commissioners. The cost incident to the conservator's services shall be fixed and determined by the Board and shall be a charge against the assets and funds of the association to be allowed and paid as the Board may determine.

Special Disability Provision. If any of the provisions of this Act may appear obscure when applied to health, accident or disability provisions in certificates issued by associations authorized to issue health, accident or disability certificates, then the Board is directed to the time said policy is issued elect to interpret same in accord with the expressed purpose and spirit of the Act shall show in writing the election looking to the full payment of claims, made. If the association issuing said

and at the same time preserving to members the benefit of the protection afforded by such association.

Sec. 21. That Section 29, Chapter 274, Acts of the Forty-first Legislature, 1929 (p. 563), be and the same is hereby repealed, insofar as same is in conflict with the same is in conflict with the provisions hereof relative to burial associations.

Sec. 22. That part of Section 6, Chapter 245, Acts of the Forty-third Legislature, as amended by Chapter 257. Acts of the Forty-fifth Legislature, exempting from its provisions any corporation, association or partnership, individual or joint stock company engaged in the undertaking business, or to any advertising cor-poration, association and/or partnership, individual, or joint stock company with whom they have contracts, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Sec. 23. Burial Association. Any individual, individuals, firms co-partnerships, corporations or associations doing the business of providing burial or funeral benefits, which under any circumstances may be payable partly or wholly in merchandise or services, not in excess of One Hundred and Fifty (\$150.00) Dollars, or the value thereof, are hereby declared to be burial companies, associations or societies, and shall organize under provisions of Chapter 274, Acts of the Forty-first Legislature, 1929, and amendments thereto; and shall operate under and be governed by Chapter 274, Acts of the Forty-first Legislature, 1929, and amendments thereto, and this Act. It shall be unlawful for any individual, individuals, firms, co-partnerships, corporations, or associations, other than those defined above, to engage in the business of providing burial or funeral benefits, which under any circumstances may be paid wholly or partly in merchandise or services.

Sec. 24. Policies or certificates issued by burial associations shall provide for payment of the benefit in certain stipulated merchandise and burial service, which shall be scheduled in the policy or certificate and approved by the Board of Insurance Commissioners as being of the reasonable value as stated in the face of the policy, unless the insured shall at

policy shall fail or refuse to furnish the merchandise and services provided for in the policy, same shall be paid in cash.

Sec. 25. Rules and Regulations. The Board is hereby authorized to promulgate reasonable rules and regulations to carry out the purposes of this Act.

Section 26. Nothing in this Act shall ever be construed to include or affect in any manner mutual fire insurance companies.

Section 27. Penalty; Unlawful Conversion. If any Director, officer, agent, employee, attorney at law or attorney in fact, of any association under this Act, shall fraudulently take, misapply or convert to his own use any money, property or other thing of value belonging to such association, that may have come into his custody, control, possession or management by virtue of his office, directorship, agency, or employment, or in any other manner, or shall secrete the same with intent to take, misapply or convert the same to his own use, or shall pay or deliver the same to any person knowing that he is not entitled to receive it, he shall be confined in the penitentiary not less than two (2) nor more than ten (10) years.

Section 28. Penalty; Diversion of Special Funds. If any Director, officer, agent, employee, attorney at law, or attorney in fact of any association under this Act, shall willfully borrow, withhold or in any manner divert from its purpose, any special fund or any part thereof, belonging to or under the control and management of any association under this Act, which has been set apart by law or by any valid rule or regulation of the Board of Insurance Commissioners of the State of Texas for a specific use, he shall be confined in the penitentiary not less than two (2) nor more than ten (10) years.

Section 29. Penalty; False Reports. The Board of Insurance Commissioners shall have the power and authority to compel written reports from such association as to the condition of such association whenever deemed advisable by the Board. The Board may require that such report be verified by the oath of a responsible officer of the association. If any officer, director, agent, employee, attorney at law or attorney in fact, of any association under this Act, shall will-

fully make any false affidavit in connection with the requirements of this Act, he shall be punished by a fine not to exceed Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars, or by imprisonment in the county jail not to exceed two (2) years, or by confinement in the penitentiary not to exceed two (2) years.

Section 30. Penalty; Violation of Board Order. If any director, officer, agent, employee, or attorney at law or attorney in fact of any association under this Act, shall willfully refuse or fail to comply with any lawful order of the Board of Insurance Commissioners of this State he shall be punished by fine not to exceed Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars, or by imprisonment in the county jail not to exceed six (6) months, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Section 31. Penalty; Violation of Other Provisions of Act. If any director, officer, agent, employee or attorney at law or attorney in fact of any association under this Act, or any other person, shall violate any of the provisions of this Act not specifically set out in Sections 26, 27, 28, and 29 of this Act, he shall be punished by fine not to exceed Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars, or by imprisonment in the county jail not to exceed six (6) months, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Section 32. Effective Date. Upon proper showing to the Board of inability of associations to comply with this Act immediately, associations shall have until January 1, 1940, to bring themselves to full compliance with this law in all particulars. By such date, in the event they shall not have done so, they shall be regarded as insolvent as provided herein, and dealt with accordingly. specially provided that if associations cannot so arrange their affairs as to make full payment of claims as herein required by such date, they may reduce the benefits of the outstanding certificates by appropriate action having the approval of the Board, so as to make possible full payment of claims. All members must be given prompt notice of such amendment of such certificates.

Section 33. All laws or parts of laws in conflict with the provisions of this Act are hereby expressly repealed to the extent of such conflict.

ney at law or attorney in fact, of any Section 34. Constitutionality. The association under this Act, shall will-provisions of this Act are severable.

and in the event the courts declare any part of it unconstitutional, the other provisions of the Act shall nevertheless remain in full force.

Section 35. All fees paid to the Board of Insurance Commissioners by all associations regulated by this Act shall be and the same are here and now appropriated for the balance of the fiscal year ending August 31st, 1939, to the use and benefit of the Life Insurance Division of the Board of Insurance Commissioners, to be used by the Life Insurance Commissioner for the purpose of enforcing and carrying out the provisions of this Act and other laws relating to the regulation and supervision of such associations; provided, however, that thereafter such fees shall be expended under such limitations as the Legislature may designate in the general departmental appropriation bill; such fees to be deposited in the State Treasury as a special fund to be used as and for the purposes aforesaid and are here and now appropriated for such purposes and all laws or parts of laws to the contrary are here and now expressly repealed to the extent of such conflict only.

Section 36. Emergency Clause. The fact that the present laws governing life, health and accident assessment insurance, as well as burial benefits, do not adequately protect the members from loss through unwholesome, unsound or fraudulent practices, and the Board of Insurance Commissioners is not empowered to safeguard the public interest, and the immediate necessity for remedying the situation, create an emergency and an impera-tive public necessity that the Consti-tutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each House be suspended, and the same is hereby suspended, and this Act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it so enacted.

(Mr. Leonard in the Chair.)

Mr. Bond moved that the Conference Committee Report on Senate Bill No. 135 be adopted.

Mr. Alsup moved that further consideration of the Report be postponed until 10:30 o'clock a. m., next Mon-

(Speaker in the Chair.)

Mr. Hardin moved to table the motion to postpone the Conference Report on Senate Bill No. 135.

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Holland

The motion to table prevailed.

The Conference Committee Report on Senate Bill No. 135 was then adopted by the following vote:

# Yeas—129

Allison Howington Alsup Hull Anderson Hunt Isaacks Bailey Baker Johnson of Ellis of Fort Bend Johnson of Tarrant Baker of Grayson Keith Bell Kennedy Blankenship Kern Boethel Kerr Bond Kersey Boyer Kinard Bradbury King Bradford Langdon Bridgers Lehman Broadfoot Leonard Brown of Cherokee Leyendecker Brown Little of Nacogdoches Lock Bundy London Burkett Mays Burney McAlister Cauthorn McDonald Chambers McFarland McMurry Clark Cleveland McNamara Cockrell Mohrmann Coleman Monkhouse Colson, Mrs. Montgomery Cornett Morris Crossley Nicholson Daniel Oliver Derden Pace Dickison Petsch Dickson Pevehouse Donaghey Piner Dowell Ragsdale Reader of Bexar Dwyer Reader of Erath Faulkner Reaves Felty. Ferguson Reed Rhodes Fielden Fuchs Riviere Galbreath Roach Roberts Gilmer Gordon, Mrs. Robinson Hale Russell Hamilton Schuenemann Segrist Hankamer Hardeman Shell Hardin Skiles Smith of Frio Harp Smith of Hopkins Harper Harrell of Bastrop Smith Harrell of Lamar of Matagorda Spencer Hartzog

Stinson

Talbert

Tarwater Waggoner Taylor Weldon Tennant Wells Thornberry Westbrook Thornton Wilson Turner Winfree Vale Wood Voigt · Wright

#### Nays-10

Allen Harris
Boyd McDaniel
Corry Newell
Davis of Jasper
Davis of Upshur Worley

#### Absent

Celaya Colquitt Goodman Howard Loggins Pope Vint

Absent—Excused

Bray Dean White

Mr. Hardin moved to reconsider the vote by which the Report was adopted, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

# MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Austin, Texas, May 5, 1939. Hon. R. Emmett Morse, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has reconsidered the vote by which the Conference Committee Report on House Bill No. 194 was adopted, and has refused to adopt the Report, and grants the request of the House for a new Conference Committee as follows: Senators Spears, Pace, Kelley, Hardin and Martin.

# Respectfully,

# BOB BARKER,

Secretary of the Senate.

# FROM THE GOVERNOR

Mr. Harrell of Lamar offered the following resolution:

H. C. R. No. 132, Recalling House Bill No. 533 from the Governor.

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That the Governor be, and he is hereby, requested to return to the House of Representatives House Bill No. 533 for further consideration, and that

the signatures of the presiding officers of the House of Representatives and Senate be erased from the bill.

The resolution was read second time, and was adopted.

#### RECESS

Mr. Kinard moved that the House recess until 2:30 o'clock p. m., today.

Mr. Cornett moved that the House recess until 2:00 o'clock p. m., today.

Mr. Reader of Bexar moved that the House adjourn until 10:00 o'clock a.m., next Monday.

The motion of Mr. Kinard prevailed, and the House, accordingly, at 12:15 o'clock p. m., took recess until 2:30 o'clock p. m., today.

# AFTERNOON SESSION

The House met at 2:30 o'clock p. m., and was called to order by the Speaker.

# LEAVES OF ABSENCE GRANTED

# (By unanimous consent)

Mrs. Gordon for this afternoon, on account of important business, on motion of Mr. Smith of Frio.

Mr. Keith for this afternoon, on account of important business, on motion of Mr. Langdon.

Mr. Harrell of Lamar for this afternoon, on account of important business, on motion of Mr. Turner.

Mr. Reader of Bexar temporarily for this afternoon, on account of important business, on motion of Mr. Felty.

Mr. Montgomery temporarily for today, on account of illness, on motion of Mr. Little.

Mr. Leyendecker for this afternoon, on account of illness in his family, on motion of Mr. Boethel.

Mr. Turner temporarily for this afternoon, on account of important business, on motion of Mr. Clark.

Mr. Vale for this afternoon, on account of illness, on motion of Mr. Celaya.

# HOUSE BILL NO. 688 ON FINAL PASSAGE

requested to return to the House of The House resumed consideration of Representatives House Bill No. 533 pending business, same being House for further consideration, and that Bill No. 688, relative to the Board of

County and District Road Indebtedness, etc., on its final passage.

The bill having heretofore been read third time.

Mr. Daniel offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend Tarwater substitute for House Bill No. 688, Section 7, Subsection (a), by adding the following paragraph after the words, "September 17, 1932", and as the last paragraph of said Subsection:

"All bonds voted by a county or defined road district of this State, prior to January 1, 1939, in so far as amounts of same were or may be issued and the proceeds expended in the construction of roads which are a part of the designated system of State Highways, or which were a part of said system, or which may be subsequently designated a part of such system, shall be eligible to participate in the distribution of the moneys coming into the County and Road District Highway Fund as provided in the foregoing and following provisions of this Act as of the date of the designation of said road as a part of the State system. Regardless of other provisions of this Act, where such bonds were voted prior to January 1, 1939, and prior to the designation of the road as a part of State Highway System, the county or road district may issue and spend the proceeds on the construction of such road under contract and specifications to be approved by the State Highway Engineer, and such bonds shall be eligible to participate in the County and Road District Highway Fund the same as if the bonds were issued and expended prior to January 1, 1939."

# DANIEL, HARDEMAN.

Mr. Boethel moved the previous question, on the amendment by Mr. Daniel, and the final passage of House Bill No. 688, and the main question was ordered.

The amendment by Mr. Daniel was then adopted by the following vote:

#### Yeas-115

Allen	Bell
Allison	Boethel
Alsup	$\mathbf{Bond}$
Bailey	Boyer
Baker	Bradbury
of Fort Bend	Bradford

Bridgers Leonard Broadfoot Little Brown of Cherokee Lock Brown Loggins of Nacogdoches London Bundy Mays McAlister Burney Cauthorn McDaniel Chambers McDonald Clark McFariand Cleveland McMurry Cockrell McNamara Colquitt Monkhouse Cornett Montgomery Crossley Newell Daniel Nicholson Davis of Jasper Oliver Davis of Upshur Pace Dickison Petsch Dickson Pevehouse Donaghey Pope Reader of Erath Dowell Faulkner Reaves Felty Reed Ferguson Riviere Fielden Roach Roberts Fuchs Galbreath Russell Schuenemann Gilmer Gordon, Mrs. Segrist Shell Hale Hamilton Skiles Hankamer Smith of Frio Hardeman Smith of Hopkins Hardin Smith Harp of Matagorda Spencer Harper Harrell of Bastrop Stinson Stoll Harris Talbert Heflin Tarwater Holland Thornberry Howington Thornton Hunt Turner Isaacka Johnson of Ellis Vint Weldon Keith Wells Kennedy Westbrook Kern Wilson Kerr Kersey Winfree Wood Kinard Langdon Worley Wright Lehman

# Nays-4

Blankenship	Taylor
Burkett	Tennant

# Absent

Anderson Baker of Grayson	Colson, Mrs.
Boyd	Derden
Celaya	Dwyer
Coleman	Hartzog

Howard	Piner
Hull	Ragsdale
Johnson of Tarra	ntRhodes
King	${f Robinson}$
Mohrmann	${f Voigt}$
Morris	Waggoner

# Absent—Excused

Bray Leyendecker Reader of Bexar Dean Goodman Vale Harrell of Lamar White

By unanimous consent of the House, the caption of the bill was ordered amended to conform to all changes and with the body of the bill.

House Bill No. 688 was then passed by the following vote:

Yeas—115		
Allen	Hale	
Allison	Hamilton	
Alsup	Hankamer	
Bailey	Hardin	
Baker	Harp	
of Fort Bend	Harper	
Bell	Harrell of Bastrop	
Boethel	Harris	
Bond	Hartzog	
Boyd	Heflin	
Boyer	Holland	
Bradbury	Howard	
Bridgers	Howington	
Broadfoot	Hunt	
Brown of Cherokee		
Brown	Johnson of Ellis	
of Nacogdoches	Keith .	
Bundy	Kennedy	
Burkett	Kern	
Cauthorn	Kersey	
Chambers	King	
Clark	Langdon	
Cleveland	Lehman	
Colquitt	Little	
Colson, Mrs.	Lock	
Cornett	Loggins	
Crossley	London	
Daniel	Mays	
Davis of Jasper	McDaniel	
Davis of Upshur	McDonald	
Dickison	McFarland	
Dickson	McMurry	
Donaghey	McNamara	
Dowell	Mohrmann	
Faulkner	Monkhouse	
Felty	Montgomery	
Ferguson	Morris	
Fielden	Newell	
Fuchs	Oliver	
Galbreath	Pace	
Gilmer	Petsch	
Goodman	Pevehouse	
Gordon, Mrs.	Reader of Bexar	

Reader of Erath	Stoll
Reaves	${f Talbert}$
Reed	Tarwater
Rhodes	Taylor
Riviere	Thornberry
Roach	Turner
Roberts	Voigt
Russell	Waggoner
Segrist	Weldon
Skiles	Wells
Smith of Frio	Westbrook
Smith of Hopkins	Wilson
Smith	Winfree
of Matagorda	Wood
Spencer	Worley
Stinson	Wright

# Nays—12

Blankenship	McAlister
Bradford	Nicholson
Burney	Pope
Hardeman	Robinson
Kerr	${f Tennant}$
Kinard	Thornton

#### Absent

Hull
Johnson of Tarran
Leonard
Piner
Ragsdale
Schuenemann
Shell
Vint

# Absent—Excused

Bray	Leyendecker
Dean	Vale
Harrell of Lamar	White

Mr. Tarwater moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

# TO SUSPEND CERTAIN RULES

Mr. Daniel moved to suspend the necessary Rules, in order that Members may take up bills on suspension, for this afternoon.

The motion to suspend the Rules prevailed by the following vote:

# Yeas-85

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Allison	Boyd
Alsup	Boyer
Anderson	Bradbury
Bailey	Bridgers
Baker	Brown of Cherokee
of Fort Bend	Brown
Boethel	of Nacogdoches
Bond	Bundy
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Burkett Langdon Burney Lehman Cauthorn Leonard Cleveland Lock Coleman Loggins Colson, Mrs. London Cornett McDonald Crossley Montgomery Daniel Morris Davis of Jasper Newell Davis of Upshur Petsch Dickison Pevehouse Dickson Piner Donaghey Reader of Bexar Dowell Reader of Erath Dwyer Reaves Felty Reed Ferguson Riviere Fielden Roach Russell **Fuchs** Galbreath Segrist Hale Shell Hamilton Skiles Hardeman Smith of Frio Hardin Smith of Hopkins Harp Smith Harrell of Bastrop of Matagorda Spencer Harris Stinson Holland Hunt Stoll Thornberry Isaacks Johnson of Ellis Turner Kern  $\mathbf{V}$ int Kerr Westbrook Kersev Winfree Kinard Wright

# Nays-36

Allen McFarland Bradford McMurry Chambers McNamara Clark Monkhouse Colquitt Nicholson Faulkner Pace Gilmer Rhodes Hankamer Roberts Harper Robinson Talbert Hartzog Heflin Taylor Howington Tennant Thornton Keith Kennedy Waggoner Weldon Little Wells Mays Wilson McAlister Worley McDaniel

#### Absent

Corry Baker of Grayson Bell Blankenship Broadfoot Hull Celaya Cockrell

Derden Goodman Howard

King Schuenemann Mohrmann Tarwater Voigt Oliver Pope  $\mathbf{Wood}$ Ragsdale

# Absent—Excused

Leyendecker Bray Dean Vale White Gordon, Mrs. Harrell of Lamar

# PROVIDING FOR CERTAIN IN-VESTIGATION

Mr. Taylor offered the following resolution:

H. S. R. No. 262, Providing for certain investigation.

Whereas, The Legislature of Texas has now convened in Regular Session for the purpose of raising sufficient revenue to finance the payment of old age pensions to the aged citizenship of Texas; and

Whereas, The attention of several Members of the House of Representatives has been called to the existence of certain letters mailed to the aged citizenship of this State; and

Whereas, These letters are supposedly sponsored by organizations interested in lobbying for bigger and better pensions; and

Whereas, These letters have for their purpose the solicitation of dollar contributions from all persons over the age of sixty-five; and

Whereas, In return for this contribution, many wild promises are held out to the unsuspecting aged citizen-

ship of this State; and
Whereas, These circular letters contain reflections on the character and ability of the chosen Representatives

of the people; and
Whereas, It is the opinion of the Legislature of this State that similar efforts of this nature have resulted in disappointment to the old people of this State and benefited political racketeers; now, therefore, be it Resolved, That the House, through

its Committee on Representation before the Legislature, be authorized to conduct an investigation to ascertain the true purpose and effect of this organized effort that is seeking contributions from the aged citizenship

of our State; and, be it further Resolved, That the House of Representatives authorize payment of actual Johnson of Tarrant expenses of such investigation pro-

vided that all expenses shall be approved by the Speaker of the House, the Chairman of the Committee on Contingent Expenses; and the Chairman of the Committee making said investigation; providing that the Committee shall have the power to subpoena any and all witnesses, to investigate, under oath or affirmation, the nature, character and extent of any records pertaining to said inquiry, and that the expenses shall not exceed Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars; and providing further that the Committee shall have the authority to conduct hearings after the termination of the Regular Session of the Forty-sixth Legislature if said hear-ings are not completed before ad-journment of the said Regular Session of the Forty-sixth Legislature, and the Committee shall be given the further right and authority to report to either the Regular Session of the Forty-sixth Legislature or any Special Session of the Forty-sixth Legislature convened by the Governor of this State or to the Regular Session of the Forty-seventh Legislature.

The resolution was read second time, and was adopted.

# HOUSE BILL NO. 52 ON THIRD READING

On motion of Mr. Pope, the regular order of business was suspended, to take up, and have placed on its third reading and final passage, House Bill No. 52.

The Speaker then laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

H. B. No. 52, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 138 of the Acts of the Third Called Session of the Thirty-ninth Legislature, the same being an Act entitled: 'An Act to aid the City of Corpus Christi in the construction of a sea wall or breakwater so as to protect said city from calamitous overflow, by donating to said city all the State ad valorem taxes, collected on property and from persons in Jim Wells, Jim Hogg, Brooks, Kleberg, Willacy and Duval Counties and by donating to said city all the State ad valorem taxes, collected on property and from persons in Nueces County, not heretofore donated to the City of Corpus Christi by Act of the Thirty-fifth Legislature of Texas, known as House Bill No. 694 for a

period of twenty-five (25) years, and to provide a penalty for their misapplication, by extending the provisions of said Act for a period of eight (8) years from September 1, 1946, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time, and was passed by the following vote:

#### Yeas--68

Anderson Johnson of Tarrant Kinard Baker of Fort Bend King Bell Little Boethel Lock Boyer Loggins Bradford McAlister Bridgers McDonald McMurry Bundy Celaya McNamara Chambers Mohrmann Monkhouse Cleveland Cockrell Montgomery Colson, Mrs. Nicholson Oliver Daniel Davis of Jasper Pope Ragsdale Dickison Reader of Bexar Dwyer  $\mathbf{Felty}$ Reader of Erath Ferguson Reed Fuchs Riviere Galbreath Robinson Gilmer Schuenemann Goodman Shell Hankamer Smith of Frio Hardin Stoll Harp Tarwater Harrell of Bastrop Taylor Harris Thornton Hartzog Valè Heflin Westbrook Holland Wilson Howard Winfree Hull Wright Johnson of Ellis

# Nays-61

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Allen	Cornett
Allison	Crossley
Alsup	Davis of Upshur
Bailey	Dickson
Blankenship	Donaghey
Bond	Dowell
Boyd	Faulkner
Bradbury	Fielden
Brown of Cherokee	Hale
Brown	Hamilton
of Nacogdoches	Hardeman
Burkett	Howington
Burney	Hunt
Coleman	Isaacks
Colquitt	Kennedy

Kern Roberts Kerr Russell Kersey Segrist Lehman Skiles London Smith of Hopkins Mays Spencer McFarland Stinson Morris Tennant Newell Thornberry Pace Vint Petsch

Pace Vint
Petsch Voigt
Pevehouse Waggoner
Piner Weldon
Reaves Wells
Rhodes Wood
Roach Worley

# Present-Not Voting

# Corry

#### Absent

Baker of Grayson
Broadfoot
Cauthorn
Clark
Derden
Harper

Langdon
Leonard
McDaniel
Smith
of Matagorda
Talbert

# Absent—Excused

Bray Keith
Dean Leyendecker
Gordon, Mrs. Turner
Harrell of Lamar White

Mr. Pope moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

# SENATE BILL NO. 190 ON SEC-OND READING

On motion of Mr. Langdon, the regular order of business was suspended, to take up, and have placed on its second reading, and passage to third reading, Senate Bill No. 190.

The Speaker then laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to third reading.

S. B. No. 190, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for preference of employment in all State Departments of this State of honorably discharged soldiers, sailors, nurses and marines of the Army and Navy of the United States, etc., and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time.

Mr. Langdon offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend Senate Bill No. 190, Section 1, page 2, line 1, by inserting after the word "therefor," the following:

"provided, however, that no such preference shall be extended to such soldiers, sailors, marines, and nurses who are receiving from the State or Federal Government any monies totaling Fifty (\$50.00) Dollars or more by reason of disabilities incurred during active service in the army, navy, marine, or nurse corps, or by reason of Old Age Assistance payment, or any other Social Security monies provided by law."

# LANGDON, GOODMAN.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Hankamer moved that the House adjourn until 10:00 o'clock a.m., next Monday.

The motion to adjourn was lost.

Mr. Alsup offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend Senate Bill No. 190, by striking out "20 per cent," wherever it appears in the bill, and inserting in lieu thereof, "10 per cent.'

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Smith of Frio offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend printed copy of Senate Bill No. 190, by striking out the words, "are citizens and residents of Texas," in lines 38 and 39, and insert in lieu thereof, "are and have been residents or citizens of the State of Texas for a period of 10 years next preceding the date of application."

Mr. Goodman moved the previous question on the pending amendment, and the passage of Senate Bill No. 190 to third reading, and the main question was ordered.

Question recurring on the amendment by Mr. Smith of Frio, it was adopted.

By unanimous consent of the House, the caption of the bill was ordered amended to conform to all changes, and with the body of the bill.

Senate Bill No. 190 was then passed to third reading.

# SENATE BILL NO. 190 ON THIRD READING

Mr. Langdon moved that the constitutional rule, requiring bills to be read on three several days, be suspended, and that Senate Bill No. 190 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

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ing vote: Yeas	<b>—108</b>
Allison	Kinard
Anderson	King
Bailey	Langdon
·Baker	Langdon
	Lehman
of Fort Bend	Leonard
Baker of Grayson	Little
Bell	Lock
Blankenship	Loggins
Boethel	London
Bond	McDaniel
Boyd	McFarland
Boyer	McMurry
Bridgers	McNamara
Broadfoot	Monkhouse
Brown of Cherokee	Montgomery
Brown	Nicholson
of Nacogdoches	Oliver
Bundy	Pace
Burney	Petsch
Cauthorn	Pevehouse
Clark	Piner
Cleveland	Pope
Cockrell	Ragsdale
Coleman	Reader of Bexar
Colson, Mrs.	Reader of Erath
Crossley	Reaves
Davis of Jasper	Reed
Dickison	Rhodes
Dickson	Riviere
Donaghey	Roberts
Dowell	Robinson
Faulkner	Russell
Ferguson	Schuenemann
Fielden	Somist
Frehe	Segrist Shell
Fuchs	
Galbreath	Skiles
Gilmer	Smith of Hopkins
Goodman	Spencer.
Hale	Stinson
Hamilton	Stoll
Hardeman	Talbert
<b>Ha</b> rdin	Tarwater
Harp	Taylor
Harper	Tennant
Harrell of Bastrop	Thornberry
Hartzog	Thornton
Holland	Turner
Howington	Vint
Hunt	Voigt
Isaacks	Waggoner
Johnson of Ellis	Weldon
Johnson of Tarrant	Wilson
Kennedy	Winfree
Kern	Wood
Kerr	Worley
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Allen	Bradford
Alsup	Cornett
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Corry	Newell
Davis of Upshur	Roach
Gordon, Mrs.	Smith of Frio
Hankamer	Wells
Kersey	Westbrook
McAlister	Wright
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# Absent

Bradbury	Heflin
Burkett	Howard
Celaya	Hull
Chambers	Mays
Colquitt	McDonald
Daniel	Mohrmann
Derden	Morris
Dwyer	Smith
Felty	of Matagorda
Harris	

# Absent—Excused

Bray	Leyendecker
Dean	Vale
Harrell of Lamar	White
Keith	

The Speaker then laid Senate Bill No. 190 before the House on third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time.

Mr. Faulkner offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend Senate Bill No. 190, by inserting the words "Mexican Border Service", after the words, "in Federal Service, Philippine Insurrection", in Section 1.

The amendment was lost by the following vote (not receiving the necessary two-thirds vote):

# Yeas-64

	Allen	Hankamer
	Alsup	Harp
	Bell	Hartzog
	Bond	Howington
	Bradford	Hunt
	Burkett	Isaacks
	Celaya	Johnson of Ellis
	Chambers	Kennedy
	Cleveland	Kern
	Cockrell	Kerr
1	Corry	Kersey
	Crossley	King
	Daniel	Lehman
	Davis of Upshur	London
	Dickison	Mays
	Dickson	McAlister
ı	Dowell	McMurry
ļ	Faulkner	McNamara
	Ferguson	Monkhouse
	Galbreath	Morris
į	Hamilton	Newell

Nicholson Smith of Matagorda Oliver Pevehouse Spencer Piner Stoll Reader of Bexar Tarwater Turner Reed Roach Wells Schuenemann Wilson Shell Winfree Worley Skiles Wright Smith of Frio Smith of Hopkins

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# Nays—58

Allison Johnson of Tarrant Kinard Bailey Langdon Baker of Fort Bend Leonard Blankenship Little Boethel Lock Boyd Loggins Boyer McDaniel Bridgers McFarland Brown of Cherokee Montgomery Bundy Pace Burney Petsch Clark Pope Coleman Reader of Erath Colquitt Reaves Cornett Rhodes Davis of Jasper Riviere Donaghey Roberts Felty Robinson Fielden Russell **Fuchs** Stinson Gilmer Talbert Goodman Taylor Hale Tennant Hardeman Thornberry Hardin Thornton Harper Waggoner Harris Weldon Holland Wood Howard

Present-Not Voting

Brown

of Nacogdoches

# Absent

Heflin Anderson Baker of Grayson Hull Bradbury McDonald Broadfoot Mohrmann Cauthorn Ragsdale Colson, Mrs. Segrist Derden Vint Dwyer Voigt Harrell of Bastrop Westbrook

#### Absent—Excused

Bray Gordon, Mrs.
Dean Harrell of Lamar

Keith Vale Leyendecker White

Mr. Goodman moved the previous question on the final passage of Senate Bill No. 190, and the motion was not seconded.

Mr. Thornberry offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend Section 3 of Senate Bill No. 190, by adding after the word "Fund," the following: "except the Educational Institutions of this State."

THORNBERRY, BELL.

The amendment was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas-119 Allen Hale Allison Hamilton Alsup Hankamer Anderson Hardeman Bailey Hardin Baker Harp of Fort Bend Harper Bell Harrell of Bastrop Blankenship Harris Boethel Holland Bond Howard Boyd Howington Boyer Hull Bradford Hunt **Bridgers** Isaacks Brown of Cherokee Johnson of Ellis Bundy Johnson of Tarrant Burkett Kennedy Burney Kern Cauthorn Kerr Celaya Kersey Chambers Kinard Clark King Cleveland Langdon Cockrell Lehman Colquitt Leonard Colson, Mrs. Little Corry Lock Crossley Loggins Daniel London Davis of Jasper McAlister Davis of Upshur McDonald Dickison McFarland Dickson McMurry Donaghey McNamara Dowell Monkhouse Dwyer Montgomery Faulkner Morris Felty Fielden Newell Nicholson Fuchs

Oliver

Pace Petsch

Galbreath

Goodman

Gilmer

Pevehouse Talbert Reader of Bexar Tarwater Reader of Erath Taylor Reaves Tennant Reed Thornberry Rhodes Thornton Roach Vint Roberts Waggoner Weldon Robinson Wells Russell Westbrook Schuenemann Segrist Wilson Winfree Skiles Smith of Hopkins Wood Spencer Worley Wright Stinson Stoll

### Absent

Baker of Grayson McDaniel Mohrmann Bradbury Piner Broadfoot Pope Brown of Nacogdoches Ragsdale Coleman Riviere Cornett Shell Smith of Frio Derden Ferguson Smith of Matagorda Hartzog Voigt Heflin Mays

#### Absent—Excused

Bray Levendecker Dean Turner Gordon, Mrs. Vale Harrell of Lamar White Keith

Mr. Wood offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend Senate Bill No. 190, by changing the word "shall," to the word "may," in line 39, page 1, and changing the word "shall," to the word "may," in lines 23, 25 and 29, page 2, Section 2.

Mr. Kinard moved to table the amendment.

The motion to table was lost.

The amendment by Mr. Wood was then lost by the following vote (not receiving the necessary two-thirds vote):

# Yeas-75

Allen Burkett Cauthorn Alsup Baker Celaya of Fort Bend Chambers Bell Clark Bond Coleman Bradford Colquitt

Cornett McFarland Corry McMurry McNamara Daniel Davis of Upshur Monkhouse Dickson Morris Dwyer Newell Felty Oliver Ferguson Petsch Fuchs Pevehouse Reader of Bexar Gilmer Hale Reader of Erath Hamilton Reed Hankamer Roach Schuenemann Hardeman Harp Skiles Harper Smith of Frio Smith of Hopkins Harris Howington Spencer Hull Stoll Hunt Talbert Isaacks Tarwater Johnson of Tarrant Thornton Kennedy Vint Kern Waggoner Weldon Kerr Kersey Wells Westbrook Lock Wilson Loggins Mays Wood McAlister Worley McDonald Wright

# Nays-46

Allison Howard Johnson of Ellis Bailey Blankenship Kinard Langdon Boyd Lehman Boyer Bridgers Leonard Broadfoot London Brown of Cherokee Montgomery Nicholson Bundy Burney Piner Cleveland Pope Rhodes Cockrell Colson, Mrs. Riviere Crossley Roberts Davis of Jasper Robinson Russell Donaghey Dowell Segrist Faulkner Stinson Fielden Taylor Goodman Tennant Thornberry Hardin Hartzog Voigt Winfree Holland

#### Absent

Derden Anderson Baker of Grayson Dickison Boethel Galbreath Bradbury Harrell of Bastrop Brown Heflin of Nacogdoches King

Little Reaves
McDaniel Shell
Mohrmann Smith

Pace of Matagorda

Ragsdale

Absent—Excused

Bray Leyendecker
Dean Turner
Gordon, Mrs. Vale
Harrell of Lamar White
Keith

Mr. Thornberry offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend Senate Bill No. 190, by adding a new Section to provide, as follows:

"It is hereby provided that this Act shall in no way affect the status of any person now employed in a department of the State government."

The amendment was adopted by the following vote:

# Yeas-105

Allen Fuchs Galbreath Alsup Bailey Gilmer Gordon, Mrs. Baker of Fort Bend Hale Bell Hamilton Hankamer Boethel Bond Hardeman Boyd Hardin Harp Boyer Bradford Harris **Bridgers** Heflin Broadfoot Howington Brown of Cherokee Hunt Isaacks of Nacogdoches Johnson of Ellis Johnson of Tarrant Burkett Burney Kennedy Cauthorn Kern Kerr Celaya Clark Kersey Cleveland King Langdon Cockrell Coleman Lehman Colquitt Little Corry Lock Crossley Loggins Daniel London Davis of Jasper McAlister Davis of Upshur McDonald Dickison McFarland Dickson McMurry Dowell McNamara Dwyer Monkhouse Faulkner Montgomery Feltv Morris Ferguson Newell

Oliver

Fielden

Pace Smith of Hopkins Petsch Spencer Stinson Pevehouse Ragsdale Stoll Reader of Bexar Tarwater Reader of Erath Tennant Reaves Thornberry Thornton Reed Rhodes Waggoner Riviere Weldon Westbrook Roach Roberts Wilson Robinson Wood Russell Worley Schuenemann Wright Skiles

# Nays—7

Allison Goodman
Blankenship Segrist
Chambers Taylor
Donaghey

Present-Not Voting

Bundy

Anderson

#### Absent

McDaniel

Baker of Grayson Mohrmann Nicholson Bradbury Colson, Mrs. Piner Cornett Pope Shell Derden Smith of Frio Harper Harrell of Bastrop Smith of Matagorda Hartzog Talbert Holland Vint Howard Hull Voigt Wells Kinard Winfree Leonard Mays

# Absent—Excused

Bray Leyendecker
Dean Turner
Harrell of Lamar Vale
Keith White

(Pending consideration of the amendment by Mr. Thornberry, Mr. Little occupied the Chair temporarily.)

(Speaker in the Chair.)

Mr. Wells offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend Senate Bill No. 190, at the proper place, by inserting the following: "only such veterans as actually saw service on foreign soil shall be eligible for such preference."

Mr. Brown of Cherokee moved the previous question on the pending amendment, and the final passage of

Senate Bill No. 190, and the main question was ordered.

Question recurring on the amendment by Mr. Wells, it was lost by the following vote (not receiving the necessary two-thirds vote):

# Yeas-76

Allen King Alsup Lock Baker Loggins of Fort Bend London Boethel Mays McAlister Bond Bradford McFarland Burkett McMurry Burney McNamara Celava Montgomery Clark Morris Cockrell Newell Coleman Petsch Colquitt Reader of Bexar Cornett Reader of Erath Corry Reaves Daniel Reed Davis of Jasper Davis of Upshur Roach Schuenemann Dwver Skiles Ferguson Smith of Frio Smith of Hopkins Fuchs Galbreath Spencer Gordon, Mrs. Stinson Hale Stoll Hankamer Talbert Hardeman Tarwater Taylor Hardin Harp Tennant Thornton Harper Harris Weldon Wells Howington Hunt Westbrook Isaacks Wilson Johnson of Tarrant Winfree Kennedy Wood Kern Worley Wright Kerr Kersev

# Nays-47

Allison Donaghey Bailey Dowell Bell Faulkner Blankenship Fielden Boyd Gilmer Goodman Boyer Broadfoot Hamilton Brown of Cherokee Hartzog Bundy Holland Chambers Hull Cleveland Johnson of Ellis Colson, Mrs. Kinard Langdon Crossley Dickison Lehman Dickson Leonard

McDonald Roberts Robinson Monkhouse Russell Nicholson Segrist Oliver Pace Shell Thornberry Pevehouse Pope Voigt Waggoner Rhodes Riviere

Present-Not Voting

Brown

of Nacogdoches

# Absent

Anderson Howard Little Baker of Grayson McDaniel Bradbury Bridgers Mohrmann Piner Cauthorn Ragsdale Derden Smith Felty of Matagorda Harrell of Bastrop Vint Heflin

# Absent-Excused

Bray Leyendecker
Dean Turner
Harrell of Lamar Vale
Keith White

Senate Bill No. 190 was then passed by the following vote:

# Yeas-112

Daniel Allen Davis of Jasper Allison Anderson Dickison Dickson Bailey Donaghey Baker of Fort Bend Dowell Bell Dwyer Faulkner Blankenship Boethel Felty Ferguson Boyd Boyer Fielden Bradbury Fuchs Bridgers Galbreath Broadfoot Gilmer Brown of Cherokee Goodman Hale Brown Hamilton of Nacogdoches Bundy Hardin Harp Burney Cauthorn Harper Celaya Harris Hartzog Chambers Clark Holland Cleveland Hull Cockrell Hunt

Coleman Johnson of Ellis Colquitt Johnson of Tarrant Colson Mrs. Kennedy

Colson, Mrs. Kennedy Corry Kern Crossley Kerr

Kersey Rhodes Kinard Riviere King Roberts Langdon Robinson Lehman Russell Leonard Schuenemann Segrist Little Lock Shell Skiles Loggins Smith of Hopkins London Spencer McDonald Stinson McFarland McMurry Stoll McNamara Talbert Mohrmann Tarwater Monkhouse Taylor Montgomery Tennant Thornberry Morris Thornton Newell Turner Nicholson Oliver Voigt Waggoner Pace Pevehouse Weldon Wilson Pope Reader of Bexar Winfree Reader of Erath Wood Reed Worley

# Nays-16

Alsup Isaacks McAlister Bradford Petsch Burkett Cornett Roach Smith of Frio Davis of Upshur Hankamer Wells Westbrook Hardeman Wright Howington

# Present-Not Voting

#### Reaves

# Absent

Baker of Grayson McDaniel
Bond Piner
Derden Ragsdale
Harrell of Bastrop Smith
Heflin of Matagorda

Howard Vint

Mays

# Absent-Excused

Bray Keith
Dean Levendecker
Gordon, Mrs. Vale
Harrell of Lamar White

# REASON FOR VOTE

I voted against this bill, Senate Bill No. 190, because no fitness or qualifications are required or considered under its provisions.

BURKETT.

# REQUEST OF SENATE GRANTED

On motion of Mr. Leonard, the House granted the request of the Senate for the appointment of a Conference Committee on Senate Bill No. 206.

In accordance with the above action, the Speaker announced the appointment of the following Conference Committee on Senate Bill No. 206: Messrs: Leonard, Bond, Celaya, Petsch and Vale.

Mr. Cornett moved that the House adjourn until 10:00 o'clock a. m., to-morrow.

Mr. McMurry moved that the House adjourn until 10:00 o'clock a. m., next Monday.

Question first recurring on the motion to adjourn until 10:00 o'clock a. m., tomorrow, it was lost.

Question next recurring on the motion to adjourn until 10:00 o'clock a.m., next Monday, yeas and nays were demanded.

The motion was lost by the following vote:

#### Yeas-49

Johnson of Ellis Anderson Blankenship Kinard Boethel Levendecker Bond London Bradbury Mays Bradford McAlister McDaniel Bridgers McFarland Celaya Clark McMurry McNamara Colquitt Corry Oliver Donaghey Pace Reader of Bexar Dwyer Felty Rhodes Robinson Ferguson Fuchs Schuenemann Gilmer Smith of Frio Goodman Stoll Talbert Gordon, Mrs. Hamilton Tennant Hankamer Thornton Voigt Hardin Wilson Harrell of Lamar Heflin Winfree

# Nays—80

Howington

Allen Boyd
Allison Boyer
Alsup Broadfoot
Bailey Brown of Cherokee
Baker Brown
of Fort Bend
Bell Bundy

Allen

Burkett Leonard Burney Lock Cauthorn McDonald Cleveland Montgomery Cockrell Morris Coleman Newell Colson, Mrs. Petsch Cornett Pevehouse Pope Crossley Reader of Erath Daniel Davis of Jasper Reaves Davis of Upshur Reed

Dickison Riviere Dickson Roach Dowell Roberts Faulkner Russell Fielden Segrist Galbreath Shell Skiles Hale

Smith of Hopkins Hardeman Harp Spencer Harrell of Bastrop Stinson Tarwater Harris Taylor Hartzog Holland Thornberry Hunt Turner Isaacks Vint Johnson of Tarrant Waggoner Kennedy Weldon Kern Wells Kerr Westbrook Kersey Wood Worley King

# Absent

Wright

Baker of Grayson Loggins . Mohrmann Chambers Monkhouse Derden Harper Nicholson Howard Piner Hull Ragsdale Langdon Smith Little of Matagorda

# Absent-Excused

Vale Bray Dean White Keith

Lehman

MOTION TO PLACE SENATE BILL NO. 309 ON SECOND READING

Mr. Roach moved that the regular order of business be suspended, to take up, and have placed on its sec-ond reading, and passage to third reading,

S. B. No. 309, A bill to be entitled "An Act enlarging the powers and duties of the State Department of Education of the State of Texas, so Harden as to provide a Division for the Pre- Hardin

vention of Crime by Education; providing for the appointment of the personnel of said Division, fixing their salaries, and defining their duties, and declaring an emergency.

The motion was lost by the following vote (not receiving the necessary two-thirds vote):

# Yeas-63

Johnson of Ellis Johnson of Tarrant Alsup Bailey Kennedy Baker Kern of Fort Bend Kersey Leonard Bell Blankenship Lock Boyd Mays McFarland Boyer Burney McMurry McNamara Celaya Chambers Mohrmann Clark Newell Cleveland Oliver Cockrell Pace Pevehouse Coleman Reader of Erath Cornett Davis of Jasper Davis of Upshur Reaves Rhodes Dickison Roach Schuenemann Dowell Dwyer Smith of Hopkins Ferguson Spencer Fuchs Talbert Taylor Galbreath Hamilton Thornberry Thornton Hankamer Weldon Harp Wells Harper Harris Westbrook Wilson Hartzog Worley Howington

# Nays-45

Allison Heflin Boethel Holland Bond Hunt Bradford Kerr King Brown of Nacogdoches Langdon Burkett Lehman Colson, Mrs. McAlister Morris Corry Crossley Nicholson Petsch Daniel Pope Dickson Ragsdale Donaghey Faulkner Reed Riviere Fielden Roberts Gilmer Robinson Gordon, Mrs. Russell Hale Hardeman Segrist Skiles

Smith of Frio Tennant
Stinson Waggoner
Tarwater Wright

# Present-Not Voting

### Bundy

#### Absent

Anderson Little Baker of Grayson Loggins Bradbury London Bridgers McDaniel Broadfoot McDonald Brown of Cherokee Monkhouse Cauthorn Piner Colquitt Shell Derden Smith Felty of Matagorda Goodman Stoll Harrell of Bastrop Vint

Harrell of Bastrop Vint
Howard Voigt
Hull Winfree
Isaacks Wood
Kinard

# Absent—Excused

Bray Montgomery
Dean Reader of Bexar
Harrell of Lamar
Keith Vale
Leyendecker White

# SENATE BILL NO. 117 ON SEC-OND READING

Mr. Daniel moved, on the suspension of Mr. Holland, that the regular order of business be suspended, to take up, and have placed on its second reading, and passage to third reading, Senate Bill No. 117.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

# Yeas-120

Allen Celaya Allison Chambers Clark Alsup Cleveland Bailey .Cockrell Baker of Fort Bend Coleman Bell Colson, Mrs. **Boethel** Cornett Corry Crossley Bond Boyd Boyer Daniel Bradbury Davis of Jasper Davis of Upshur Bradford Dickison Bridgers Broadfoot Dickson Brown of Cherokee Donaghey Dowell Brown of Nacogdoches Dwyer Faulkner Bundy Cauthorn Felty

Ferguson Monkhouse Fielden Morris Fuchs Newell Galbreath Nicholson Gordon, Mrs. Oliver Hale Pace Hamilton Petsch Hankamer Pevehouse Hardeman Pope Hardin Reader of Erath Harp Reaves Harper Reed Harrell of Bastrop Rhodes Harris Riviere Hartzog Roach Heflin Roberts Holland Robinson Howington Russell Hull Segrist Hunt Skiles Smith of Frio Isaacks Johnson of Ellis Smith of Hopkins Johnson of Tarrant Spencer Kennedy Stinson Kern Stoll Kerr Talbert Kersey Tarwater Kinard Taylor King Tennant Thornberry Langdon Thornton Lehman Leonard Turner Lock Voigt Waggoner Weldon Loggins London Wells McAlister McDaniel Westbrook McDonald Wilson Wood McFarland McMurry Worley Wright McNamara

### Absent

Mays Anderson Mohrmann Baker of Grayson Piner Blankenship Ragsdale Burkett Schuenemann Burney Colquitt Shell Smith Derden of Matagorda Gilmer Vint Howard Winfree Little

# Absent-Excused

Bray Leyendecker
Dean Montgomery
Goodman Reader of Bexar
Harrell of Lamar Vale
Keith White

The Speaker then laid before the House, on its second reading, and passage to third reading,

S. B. No. 117, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 2665 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, Acts, Second Called Session, 1909, page 432."

The bill was read second time.

Mr. Brown of Cherokee offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend Senate Bill No. 117, in Section 1, line 9, of the printed bill, by striking out the word "Equalization," and substitute in lieu therefor, the word "automatic."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Brown of Cherokee offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend Senate Bill No. 117, page 2, of the printed bill, by adding after the word "months," on line 13, the

following:

"Provided that the State Board of Education in estimating the amount of money that it judges to be necessary to maintain the public schools for a period of not less than six months shall proceed as follows, and make use of the formulas set up as follows: (1) It shall multiply the minimum base salary per month used in accredited schools by the total number of teachers, principals, supervisors, assistant superintendents, and superintendents in the State, and then multiply this product by six; (2) From its statistical date collected yearly showing total expenditures for school purposes by all the public schools of the State, it shall make an average of such expenditures for the last five years preceding the year for which the per capita is to be set, taking into account all expenditures for general control less salaries paid to superintendents and assistant superintendents, for instructional purposes less salaries paid to supervisors, principals, and teachers of all ranks, for the operation of the school plants, for the maintenance of the school plants, for fixed charges, for interest on short term loans to pay current running expenses in anticipation of the collection of taxes or the receipt of the State per capita or other moneys, and for auxiliary agencies, but specifically excluding all amounts spent for bonds or the servicing of bonds or bonded indebtedness in any way and specifi-cally excluding also all amounts spent as capital outlay for grounds, buildings, and equipment; (3) It shall take two-thirds of the total average so found as directed in two (2) above

and add to it the last product as found in one (1) above. And this last sum so found shall be considered the amount that is deemed necessary to maintain the public schools for a period of not less than six months. Provided that the State per capita apportionment shall never exceed Twenty-five (\$25.00) Dollars for any one scholastic year."

Mr. Kern offered the following amendment to the amendment by Mr. Brown of Cherokee:

Amend Brown amendment, to Senate Bill No. 117 by striking out the last sentence of the amendment.

The amendment by Mr. Kern was lost.

Mr. Thornton offered the following substitute for the amendment by Mr. Brown of Cherokee:

Amend Senate Bill No. 117, by striking out all of line 7 appearing after the period, on page 2, and all of lines 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"The automatic tax board of the State of Texas shall have exclusive authority to set the ad valorem tax rate for school purposes and the State Board of Education shall not set the per capita apportionment in an amount to exceed the amount of money which will be raised by the ad valorem tax rate set by the automatic tax board."

Mr. Brown of Cherokee moved to table the substitute amendment by Mr. Thornton.

The motion to table prevailed.

Mr. Hankamer offered the following amendment to the amendment by Mr. Brown of Cherokee:

Amend Brown amendment to Senate Bill No. 117, by striking out the words and figures in the last sentence, "Twenty-five (\$25.00) Dollars," and by inserting in lieu thereof the words and figures, "Twenty-two Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$22.50)."

(Pending consideration of the amendment, Mr. Johnson of Tarrant occupied the Chair temporarily.)

(Speaker in the Chair.)

Mr. Davis of Jasper moved the previous question on the pending amendments, and the passage of Senate Bill No. 117 to third reading, and the main question was ordered.

Question first recurring on the

amendment by Mr. Hankamer, it was lost.

Question then recurring on the amendment by Mr. Brown of Cherokee, it was adopted.

By unanimous consent of the House, the caption of the bill was ordered amended to conform to all changes and with the body of the bill.

Senate Bill No. 117 was then passed to third reading.

# SENATE BILL NO. 117 ON THIRD READING

Mr. Brown of Cherokee moved that the constitutional rule, requiring bills to be read on three several days, be suspended, and that Senate Bill No. 117 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

# Yeas—121

Allen Felty Allison Ferguson Alsup Fielden Bailey Fuchs Galbreath Baker of Fort Bend Gilmer Bell Hale Boethel Hamilton Boyd Hardeman Boyer Hardin Bradbury Harp Bradford Harper Harrell of Bastrop Bridgers Broadfoot Harris Brown of Cherokee Hartzog Holland Brown of Nacogdoches Howington Bundy Hull Burkett Hunt Isaacks Burney Johnson of Ellis Cauthorn Johnson of Tarrant Celaya Kennedy Chambers Kern Clark Cleveland Kerr Cockrell Kersey Kinard Coleman Colson, Mrs. King Langdon Cornett Corry Lehman Crossley Leonard Little Daniel Davis of Jasper Davis of Upshur Lock Loggins London Dickison Dickson Mays McAlister Dowell McDaniel Dwver McDonald Faulkner

McFarland Segrist McMurry Shell McNamara Skiles Monkhouse Smith of Frio Morris Smith of Hopkins Newell Spencer Nicholson Stinson Oliver Stoll Pace Talbert Petsch Tarwater Pevehouse Taylor Pope Thornberry Ragsdale Thornton Voigt Reader of Erath Waggoner Reaves Reed Weldon Rhodes Wells Riviere Westbrook Wilson Roach Wood Roberts Robinson Worley Russell Wright Schuenemann

# Nays—2

Colquitt

Hankamer

#### Absent

Howard Anderson Baker of Grayson Mohrmann Blankenship Piner Bond Smith Derden of Matagorda Tennant Donaghey Goodman Vint Heflin Winfree

#### Absent—Excused

Bray Montgomery
Dean Reader of Bexar
Gordon, Mrs. Turner
Harrell of Lamar
Keith Vale
Leyendecker

The Speaker then laid Senate Bill No. 117 before the House on third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time, and was passed by the following vote:

#### Yeas-127

Allen	Boyer
Allison	Bradbury
Alsup	Bradford
Bailey	Bridge <b>rs</b>
Baker	Broadfoot
of Fort Bend	Brown of Cherokee
Bell	Brown
Blankenship	of Nacogdoches
Boethel	Bundy
Bond	Burkett
Boyd	Burney

Cauthorn	Mays
Celaya	McAlister
Chambers	McDaniel
Clark	McDonald
Cleveland	McFarland
Cockrell	McMurry
Coleman	McNamara
Colson, Mrs.	Mohrmann
Cornett	Monkhouse
Corry	Morris
Crossley	Newell
Daniel	Nicholson
Davis of Jasper	Oliver
Davis of Upshur	Pace
Dickison	Petsch
Dickson	Pevehouse
Dowell	Pope
Dwyer	Ragsdale
Faulkner	Reader of Erath
Felty	Reaves
Ferguson	Reed
Fielden	Rhodes
Fuchs	Riviere
Galbreath	Roach
Gilmer	Roberts
Hale	Robinson
<u>Hamilton</u>	Russell
Hardeman	Schuenemann
Hardin	Segrist
Harp	Shell
Harper	Skiles
Harrell of Bastrop	Smith of Frio
Harris	Smith of Hopkins
Hartzog	Spencer
<u>H</u> olland	Stinson
Howington	Stoll
Hull	Talbert
Hunt	Tarwater
Isaacks	Taylor
Johnson of Ellis Johnson of Tarrant	Tennant
Johnson of Tarrant	Thornberry
Kennedy	Thornton
Kern	Turner
Kerr	Vint
Kersey	Voigt
Kinard	Waggoner
King	Weldon
Langdon	Wells
Lehman	Westbrook
Leonard	Wilson
Little	Wood
Lock	Worley
Loggins	Wright
London	
Nays—1	

## Hankamer

# Absent

Anderson Heflin
Baker of Grayson Howard
Colquitt Piner
Derden Smith
Donaghey of Matagorda
Goodman Winfree

# Absent-Excused

Bray Leyendecker
Dean Montgomery
Gordon, Mrs. Reader of Bexar
Harrell of Lamar Vale
Keith White

#### BILLS ORDERED NOT PRINTED

#### ( By unanimous consent)

On motion of Mr. Cornett, House Bill No. 536 was ordered not printed.

On motion of Mr. Kinard, House Bill No. 1061 was ordered not printed.

On motion of Mr. Weldon, Senate Bill No. 451 was ordered not printed.

On motion of Mr. Fielden, House Bill No. 1062 was ordered not printed.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Austin, Texas, May 5, 1939. Hon. R. Emmett Morse, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House the Senate has refused to concur in House amendments to Senate Bill No. 206, and requests the appointment of a Conference Committee to adjust the differences between the two Houses.

The following have been appointed, on the part of the Senate: Senators Kelley, Martin, Winfield, Lanning and Stone of Galveston.

The Senate has adopted the Conference Committee Report on Senate Bill No. 135 by the following vote: Yeas, 25; Nays, 1.

## Adopted

H. C. R. No. 125, Directing the Enrolling Clerk of the House to correct House Bill No. 544.

# Passed

H. B. No. 910, A bill to be entitled "An Act validating, ratifying and confirming all elections held for the issuance of bonds for the purpose of building school houses in consolidated common school districts in this State, where such school districts are located in counties having a population of not less than twenty-seven thousand, one hundred (27,100), and not more than twenty-seven thousand, four hundred and ten (27,410), etc., and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 934, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the consolidation of corporations organized under

Subdivision 81 of Article 1302 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, and for the consolidation of such a corporation with similar corporations organized under the laws of the United States or any State or Territory for similar purposes; and providing for the agreement of consolidation and the manner of its approval; and for filing and recording of the articles of consolidation, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 957, A bill to be entitled, "An Act to prohibit seining, gigging, and taking fish by use of hands, or any other method other than by ordinary hook and line or set net, in any of the fresh waters of Bosque County, Texas; providing open seasons on set nets of not less than one and one-half (1½) inch mesh; providing for the taking of perch and catfish by the use of ordinary hook and line or by set nets not exceeding one and one-half (1½) inch mesh at any time; providing penalties for violation of the Act; repealing all laws and parts of laws therewith to the extent of the conflict only, and declaring an emergency." (With amendment.)

H. B. No. 991, A bill to be entitled "An Act making it unlawful to shoot, take, trap, snare or otherwise kill any wild quail in Camp County, Texas, other than on Friday of each week during the open season and on legal holidays, during such period, affixing penalty for violation thereof; repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully,
BOB BARKER,
Secretary of the Senate.

## BILLS SIGNED BY THE SPEAKER

The Speaker signed, in the presence of the House, after giving due notice thereof, and their captions had been read severally, the following enrolled bills:

S. B. No. 299, "An Act approving the Quintana State Park offered by the citizens of Brazoria County, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 432, "An Act amending Section 7 of Chapter County and Cou

S. B. No. 432, "An Act amending Section 7 of Chapter 60, Acts of the Second Called Session of the Forty-fifth Legislature, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 438, "An Act validating,

confirming, approving and legalizing certain bonds, authorized at certain elections, etc., and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 439, "An Act validating and approving all proceedings had by cities and towns in amending their corporate charters, etc., and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 398, "An Act providing that all independent school districts in this State, whether created by General or Special Law or Laws, having a tax rate of less than One (\$1.00) upon each One Hundred Dollar (\$100.00) Dollar taxable valuation of property, subject to taxation in such districts, may be authorized by a majority vote of the qualified taxpaying voters of said district, to levy and collect an annual tax not to exceed in any one year One (\$1.00) Dollar on the One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars valuation of taxable property in said district; repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, both General and Special, and declaring an emergency.'

S. B. No. 317, "An Act authorizing the Commissioners' Courts in counties having a population of not less than twelve thousand, one hundred and ninety (12,190) inhabitants and not more than twelve thousand, one hundred and ninety-five (12,195) to levy a tax for the purpose of maintaining a hospital, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 203, "An Act to authorize the State Highway Department, in conjunction with the Bureau of Public Roads, to expend, from and after the effective date of this Act, upon roads not a part of the system of State Highways, etc., and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 442, "An Act creating County-wide Equalization School Districts for tax purposes, etc., and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 422, "An Act providing that all counties within this State having a population in excess of fifty-three thousand, five hundred (53,500) inhabitants and less than fifty-seven thousand (57,000) inhabitants may upon an order made by its Commissioners' Court for this purpose provide and maintain a County Law Library, etc., and declaring an emergency."

#### HOUSE BILLS ON FIRST READING

Mr. Burney asked unanimous consent, to introduce, at this time, and have placed on first reading, House Bill No. 1060.

There was no objection.

The Speaker then laid the bill before the House, it was read first time, and referred to the appropriate committee, as follows:

By Mr. Burney:

H. B. No. 1060, A bill to be entitled "An Act fixing and providing for the payment of the salary and traveling and office expenses of the County Superintendent of Public Instruction in counties with a population of not less than thirteen thousand, four hundred and fifty (13,450) nor more than thirteen thousand, six hundred (13,600) and not less than nineteen thousand, nine hundred and fifty (19,950) nor more than twenty thousand, one hundred (20,100), according to the preceding Federal Census; and fixing and providing for payment of compensation of County School Trustees in such counties, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Clark asked unanimous consent, to introduce, at this time, and have placed on first reading, House Bill No. 1061.

There was no objection.

The Speaker then laid the bill before the House, it was read first time, and referred to the appropriate committee, as follows:

By Mr. Clark:

H. B. No. 1061, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing amount of payment to the Executive Committee, in order to have the name placed on official ballot for Representative and Flotorial Representative in certain counties; repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith to the extent of the conflict only, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to the Committee on Counties.

Mr. Fielden asked unanimous consent, to introduce, at this time, and have placed on first reading, House Bill No. 1062.

There was no objection.

The Speaker then laid the bill be- Johnson of Ellis

fore the House, it was read first time, and referred to the appropriate committee, as follows:

By Mr. Fielden:

H. B. No. 1062, A bill to be entitled "An Act declaring a two (2) year closed season on wild fox in certain counties; providing a penalty for violation of this Act, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to the Committee on Game and Fisheries.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Clark moved that the House adjourn until 10:00 o'clock a. m., next Monday.

Mr. Cornett moved that the House adjourn until 10:00 o'clock a. m., to-morrow.

Question first recurring on the motion to adjourn until 10:00 o'clock a.m., tomorrow, it was lost.

Question next recurring on the motion to adjourn until 10:00 o'clock a. m., next Monday, yeas and nays were demanded.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—67

Allen Kerr Allison Kersey Blankenship Leonard Boethel Leyendecker Boyer Little Bradford Loggins Bridgers London Broadfoot Mays Burney McAlister Celaya McDaniel Chambers McDonald McFarland Clark Cockrell McMurry Colquitt McNamara Davis of Jasper Mohrmann Newell Dickson Faulkner Nicholson Felty Pace Ferguson Ragsdale Fuchs Rhodes Galbreath Riviere Robinson Gilmer Goodman Schuenemann Shell Hankamer Hardin Skiles Harrell of Bastrop Smith of Frio Hartzog Stinson Heflin Stoll Howington Taylor Tennant Hull Vale

Vint Wilson Voigt Winfree Waggoner

Nays—64

Alsup Hunt Bailey Isaacks

Baker Johnson of Tarrant of Fort Bend Kennedy

Bell Kern Bond King Langdon Boyd Brown of Cherokee Lehman Lock Brown of Nacogdoches Monkhouse Bundy Morris Burkett Oliver Cauthorn Petsch Pevehouse Cleveland

Coleman Pope Colson, Mrs. Reader of Erath

Cornett Reaves
Corry Reed
Crossley Roach
Daniel Roberts
Davis of Upshur Russell
Derden Segrist

Smith of Hopkins Dickison Dowell Spencer Tarwater Dwver Fielden Thornberry Thornton Hale Hamilton Weldon Wells Hardeman Harp Westbrook Wood Harper Worley Harris Holland Wright

Absent

Anderson Kinard
Baker of Grayson Piner
Bradbury Smith
Donaghey of Matagorda
Howard Talbert

Absent—Excused

Bray Montgomery
Dean Reader of Bexar
Gordon, Mrs. Turner
Harrell of Lamar White
Keith

The House, accordingly, at 5:00 o'clock p. m., adjourned until 10:00 o'clock a. m., next Monday.

## APPENDIX

# STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following committees have filed favorable reports on bills and resolutions, as follows:

State Affairs: House Bills Nos. 756 and 1039.

Counties: House Bill No. 1061.

Game and Fisheries: House Bills Nos. 1059 and 1062.

School Districts: House Bill No. 536

Criminal Jurisprudence: House Bill No. 1057.

Education: House Bills Nos. 292, 1031 and 1060; Senate Bill No. 451.

Constitutional Amendments: House Joint Resolution No. 25.

## REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEE ON ENGROSSED BILLS

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, May 5, 1939.

Hon. R. Emmett Morse, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. C. R. No. 124, Granting permission to Judge O. L. Parish to be absent from the State of Texas, during the years 1939 and 1940.

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly engrossed.

BRIDGERS, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, May 4, 1939. Hon. R. Emmett Morse, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. C. R. No. 126, Instructing the Enrolling Clerk of the House of Representatives to strike out and delete from said House Bill No. 954 the words and figures "Article 6899d".

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly engrossed.

BRIDGERS, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, May 5, 1939. Hon. R. Emmett Morse, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. C. R. No. 130, Granting Honorable C. D. Russell, Judge of the Sixty-fourth Judicial District of Texas, permission to be absent from the State of Texas while his Courts are in vacation, during the year 1939.

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly engrossed.

BRIDGERS, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, May 4, 1939. Hon. R. Emmett Morse, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 196, A bill to be entitled "An Act releasing all penalty and interest accrued on ad valorem city taxes which were delinquent on June 1, 1938, in all cities in this State having a population of not less than two hundred thousand (200,000) nor more than two hundred and fifty thousand (250,000) by the last preceding Federal Census, provided said taxes are paid on or before June 1, 1939, and declaring an emergency."

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly engrossed.

#### BRIDGERS, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, May 4, 1939. Hon. R. Emmett Morse, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 543, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing that all bonds which have been heretofore issued and sold in counties with a population of not less than eight thousand, one hundred seventy-eight (8,178) and not more than eight thousand, two hundred seventy-eight (8,278) people, according to the last preceding Federal Census, where the proceeds of the sale of bonds has been expended, in whole or in part, upon highways which have, before the issuance and sale of said bonds, been temporarily or permanently designated as a part of the State Highway System, shall be entitled to participate in the State Highway Fund, under the provisions and restrictions of Chapter 136, Acts of the Forty-third Legislature of Texas, 1933, and declaring an emergency."

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly engrossed.

#### BRIDGERS, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, May 4, 1939. Hon. R. Emmett Morse, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 850, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize the citizens of Gregg County to adopt a County Home Rule Charter, to specify the

requirements for adoption of such charter, and declaring an emergency."

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly engrossed.

## BRIDGERS, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, May 4, 1939. Hon. R. Emmett Morse, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 924, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Section 5 of Chapter 27, page 37, Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature; amending said Section 5 of Chapter 27, with reference to term of office of the Judge of the County Court of Jefferson County at Law; repealing all laws, or parts of laws, in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly engrossed.

# BRIDGERS, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, May 4, 1939. Hon. R. Emmett Morse, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 973, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for and fixing compensation of county auditors in certain counties, and declaring an emergency."

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly engrossed.

### BRIDGERS, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, May 4, 1939. Hon. R. Emmett Morse, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 980, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing that Commissioners' Courts in certain counties shall have the power to provide faciliites and financial aid to government agencies and bureaus having activities within the county, and declaring an emergency."

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly engrossed.

#### BRIDGERS, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, May 4, 1939. Hon. R. Emmett Morse, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 994, A bill to be entitled

"An Act validating and confirming all procedure in the organization and establishing of certain school district, validating all acts and procedure of school boards and/or County Commissioners' Courts in such districts; making such acts cumulative of all laws and parts of laws not in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly engrossed.

BRIDGERS, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, May 4, 1939 Hon. R. Emmett Morse, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 1002, A bill to be entitled "An Act ratifying, validating and confirming the publication of every ordinance imposing any penalty, fine or forfeiture heretofore passed and approved by any incorporated city or town within the State; providing that this Act shall not affect pending litigation, and declaring an emergency."

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly engrossed.

BRIDGERS, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, May 4, 1939. Hon. R. Emmett Morse, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 1006, A bill to be entitled "An Act to ratify all acts and proceedings of the County Board of School Trustees in any county in the State in consolidating common school districts to independent school districts having a scholastic population of not less than two hundred and fifty (250) and more than four hundred (400), according to the scholastic census at the time of the consolidation and ratifying and confirming all acts and proceedings of the Board in any way relating to such consolidation, and declaring an emergency.

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly engrossed.

BRIDGERS, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, May 4, 1939. Hon. R. Emmett Morse, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

"An Act providing that in all counties in the State of Texas having a population of three hundred thousand (300,000) inhabitants or more, and less than three hundred and fifty-five thousand, (355,000) inhabitants, according to the last preceding Federal Census, and where such counties have purchased and adopted voting machines for the purpose of holding elections, the County Auditor upon order of the Commissioners' Court shall advertise for bids for the hauling and/or transporting voting machines to the various precincts in the county; providing that the Commissioners' Court shall award contract to the lowest and best bidder; providing that the Commissioners' Court shall reserve the right to reject any and all bids; repealing all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly engrossed.

BRIDGERS, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, May 4, 1939. Hon. R. Emmett Morse, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 1014, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for a Rural School Music Supervisor in certain counties; prescribing the duties of said Supervisor; prescribing the method of employing the Supervisor; providing for removal of such Supervisor by the County Board of School Trustees on recommendation of the County Superintendent; prescribing manner of fixing and paying salary, and declaring an emergency.

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly engrossed.

BRIDGERS, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, May 4, 1939. Hon. R. Emmett Morse, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 1015, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Section 4 of House Bill No. 899, Chapter 146, of the Local and Special Laws, page 572 of the Regular Session of the Thirty-third Legislature, 1913, fixing number of School Trustees in Kyle Independent School District in Hays County; re-H. B. No. 1007, A bill to be entitled pealing all laws and parts of laws,

General and Special, in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly engrossed.

BRIDGERS, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, May 4, 1939. Hon. R. Emmett Morse, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 1017, A bill to be entitled "An Act making it unlawful to catch by the use of seine of not less than three (3) inch mesh any fish in the waters of the Sabine River in Sabine County. Repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith to the extent of the conflict only, provided this Act shall not apply to other streams in Sabine County, and declaring an emergency."

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly engrossed.

BRIDGERS, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, May 4, 1939. Hon. R. Emmett Morse, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 1018, A bill to be entitled "An Act regulating the use of boats upon the waters of Caddo Lake; prescribing who shall enforce the law; prescribing the penalty for violation of said law, and declaring an emergency."

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly engrossed.

BRIDGERS. Chairman.

Austin, Texas, May 4, 1939. Hon. R. Emmett Morse, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 1020, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing amount of payment to the Executive Committee, in order to have name placed on ticket for Representative in certain counties; repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith to the extent of the conflict only, and declaring an emergency."

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly engrossed.

BRIDGERS, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, May 4, 1939.

Hon. R. Emmett Morse, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 1022, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing an open season when it shall be lawful to hunt, take, or kill squirrels in Angelina County, Texas; fixing a penalty for the violation hereof; repealing all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly enrogssed.

BRIDGERS, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, May 4, 1939. Hon. R. Emmett Morse, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 1023, A bill to be entitled "An Act declaring it unlawful for any person to kill, take, or have in his possession for purpose of sale in Angelina and Tyler Counties any wild fox or the pelts thereof, providing that this law shall be in force for a period of two (2) years; providing various exceptions and exemptions; prescribing a penalty for the violation of the provisions of this Act; repealing all laws in conflict, and declaring an emergency."

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly engrossed.

BRIDGERS, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, May 4, 1939. Hon. R. Emmett Morse, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 1027, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 2350 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, as amended by the Forty-fifth Legislature so as to add thereto a new Section known as 2350 (5), providing for actual and necessary traveling expenses for Commissioners in the conduct of office in certain counties, and providing for source of payment of such expenses and approval thereof, and declaring an emergency."

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly engrossed.

BRIDGERS, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, May 4, 1939.

Hon. R. Emmett Morse, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 1028, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing that certain independent school districts in certain counties shall remain independent school districts for all purposes regardless of decrease in scholastic population, and declaring an emergency.

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly engrossed.

BRIDGERS, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, May 4, 1939. Hon. R. Emmett Morse, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 1032, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing incorporated cities, towns or villages, independent school districts, common school dis-tricts, drainage districts, water control and improvement districts, water improvement districts or navigation districts in this State to avail them-selves of the services of County Tax Assessors and Collectors; fixing the compensation of said county officers for said services, and declaring an emergency."

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly engrossed.

BRIDGERS, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, April 4, 1939. Hon. R. Emmett Morse, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 1036, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the maximum maintenance and bond tax rate for school purposes in all independent school districts in counties having a population of not less than fifty-one thousand, seven hundred and fifty (51,750) and not more than fifty-two thousand (52,000) inhabitants, according to the last preceding Federal Census, and containing in such independent school district a city of not less than twenty-seven thousand, seven hundred and forty (27,740) and not more than twenty-seven, eight hundred (27,800) inhabitants, according to the last preceding Federal Census;

in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly engrossed.

BRIDGERS, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, May 4, 1939. Hon. R. Emmett Morse, Speaker of

the House of Representatives. Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 1041, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for Twenty-five (\$25.00) Dollars expenses for County Commissioners in certain counties in this State; providing mode and manner of payment of such expense accounts; making this Act cumulative of all laws and parts of laws now in force in this State, and declaring an emergency."

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly engrossed.

BRIDGERS, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, May 4, 1939. Hon. R. Emmett Morse, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 1042, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for compensation for county auditor in certain counties; providing mode and manner of payment of such salary; making said Act cumulative of all laws and parts of laws now in force in this State, and declaring an emergency."

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly engrossed.

BRIDGERS, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, May 4, 1939. Hon. R. Emmett Morse, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 1047, A bill to be entitled "An Act granting permission to W. E. Gorham, a citizen of the State of Texas, to bring and prosecute suit against the State of Texas, and the State Highway Commission of Texas in any court of competent jurisdiction in the State of Texas to ascertain the amount, if any, due the said W. E. Gorham for damages alleged to have been sustained by reason of injuries suffered, if any, while working for repealing all laws and parts of laws the State Highway Department on

or about December 7, 1937; said suit shall be tried according to the rules of law and equity and procedure as would be applicable if the suit was one for the recovery of compensation insurance by any citizen against the State Highway Commission of Texas if the said State Highway Commission of Texas had complied with all the requirements of Article 6674S of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas on the date of the injury and had in effect compensation insurance the said time; providing for right of appeal by either party and for the joinder of other property or necessary parties; providing for service of citation on the State and the Highway Commission of Texas, and how, if any, recovery shall be paid; and providing the time in which said suit may be brought; and providing that the State of Texas and the State Highway Commission may plead any defense available to it, except the Statute of Limitation, and declaring an emer-

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly engrossed.

BRIDGERS, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, May 3, 1939. Hon. R. Emmett Morse, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 1049, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for rural school supervisor in certain counties; providing for salary for such supervisor; providing traveling and other expenses for such supervisor; making said Act cumulative of all other laws and parts of laws regarding public education; prescribing duties of such supervisor, and declaring an emergency."

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly engrossed.

BRIDGERS, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, May 4, 1939. Hon. R. Emmett Morse, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 1051, A bill to be entitled ment of its proportion of the bonded "An Act granting permission to W. V. Guthrie, a citizen of the State of Texas, to bring and prosecute suit against the State of Texas, and the providing a saving clause, and repeal-

State Highway Commission of Texas in any court of competent jurisdiction in the State of Texas to ascertain the amount, if any, due the said W. V. Guthrie for damages alleged to have been sustained by reason of injuries suffered, if any, while working for the State Highway Department on or about October 27, 1937; said suit shall be tried according to the rules of law and equity and procedure as would be applicable if the suit was one for the recovery of compensation insurance by any citizen against the State Highway Commission of Texas if the said State Highway Commission of Texas had complied with all the requirements of Article 6674S of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas on the date of the injury and had in effect compensation insurance the said time; providing for right of appeal by either party and for the joinder of other property or necessary parties; providing for service of citation on the State and the Highway Commission of Texas, and how, if any, recovery shall be paid; and providing the time in which said suit may be brought; and providing that the State of Texas and the State Highway Commission may plead any defense available to it, except its failure to have compensation insurance and the Statute of Limitations, and declaring an emergency."

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly engrossed.

BRIDGERS, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, May 4, 1939. Hon. R. Emmett Morse, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 1053, A bill to be entitled "An Act redefining and reestablishing the Union Grove Common School District in Upshur County, Texas, redefining its boundaries, providing that all bonds heretofore voted in said District shall remain in full force and effect against the territory of said District which voted same, providing for the assumption of said bonds by said District, providing for the payment of its proportion of the bonded indebtedness according to the valuation and assessment of the Gladewater Independent School District, providing a saving clause, and repeal-

ing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith to the extent of the conflict only, and declaring an emergency."

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly engrossed.

BRIDGERS, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, May 4, 1939. Hon. R. Emmett Morse, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 1054, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the payment of the traveling expenses of the Court Reporter of the 110th Judicial District of Texas, composed of Briscoe, Motley, Dickens and Floyd Counties, and declaring an emergency."

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly engrossed.

BRIDGERS, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, May 5, 1939. Hon. R. Emmett Morse, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. C. R. No. 132, Requesting the Governor to return House Bill No. 533 to the House of Representatives for further consideration.

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly engrossed.

BRIDGERS, Chairman.

#### SENT TO THE GOVERNOR

May 5, 1939

House Concurrent Resolution No. 106.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 112.

House Bill No. 518.

House Bill No. 161.

House Bill No. 669.

# In Memory of

# Judge James Henry Hale

Mr. Wright offered the following resolution:

H. S. R. No. 259, In memory of Judge James Henry Hale.

Whereas, On the 22nd day of April, 1939, Almighty God in His infinite wisdom called from our midst James Henry Hale of Camilla, Texas, who at the time of his death was County Judge of San Jacinto County, Texas. Our friend and public servant has moved to higher rewards, and his name has been entered in the book with those who loved and served his Country, State and fellowman; and

Whereas, James Henry Hale leaves behind him a record so highly praised it is but fitting for us to point out some of the incidents of that career. He was born November 21, 1889, at Camilla, San Jacinto County, Texas. He was a member of the Baptist Church, the Shepherd Masonic Lodge, and Livingston American Legion Post.

He has played an important role in county politics as he had held three county offices during his lifetime, County Clerk, Tax Collector and County Judge of San Jacinto County. He served in each of these offices for a number of years and rendered faithful and diligent service to his county and to the State of Texas. He devoted long hours of his time both day and night in an effort to improve the condition of his county, his State and his Nation. He was active in all community affairs and conscientious in discharging the duties of his office, loyal to his friends and willing to lend a helping hand whenever the need arose. He was efficient, well informed in county finance and held in the highest esteem by his many friends and associates. He commanded the respect of all who knew him. He was benevolent in disposition and charitable toward everyone, spreading a word of cheer and offering a kindly greeting to those with whom he came in contact. The county and State has lost a very capable man and a dear friend.

Whereas, The contributions of James Henry Hale to both community and State shall ever keep his memory green, and the influence of his life will ever be a worthy example for emulation; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be spread upon the memorial pages of the House Journal of this day and that the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives send a copy of this resolution to the members of his family.

WRIGHT.

The resolution was read second time.

Signed—Morse, Speaker; Allen, Allison, Alsup, Anderson, Bailey, Baker of Fort Bend, Baker of Grayson, Bell, Blankenship, Boethel, Bond, Boyd, Boyer, Bradbury, Bradford, Bray, Bridgers, Broadfoot, Brown of Cherokee, Brown of Nacogdoches, Bundy, Burkett, Burney, Cauthorn, Celaya, Chambers, Clark, Cleveland, Cockrell, Coleman, Colquitt, Mrs. Colson, Cornett,

Corry, Crossley, Daniel, Davis of Jasper, Davis of Upshur, Dean, Derden, Dickison, Dickson, Donaghey, Dowell, Dwyer, Faulkner, Felty, Ferguson, Fielden, Fuchs, Galbreath, Gilmer, Goodman, Mrs. Gordon, Hale, Hamilton, Hankamer, Hardeman, Hardin, Harp, Harper, Harrell of Bastrop, Harrell of Lamar, Harris, Hartzog, Heflin, Holland, Howard, Howington, Hull, Hunt, Isaacks, Johnson of Ellis, Johnson of Tarrant, Keith, Kennedy, Kern, Kerr, Kersey, Kinard, King, Langdon, Lehman, Leonard, Leyendecker, Little, Lock, Loggins, London, Mays, McAlister, McDaniel, McDonald, McFarland, McMurry, McNamara, Mohrmann, Monkhouse, Montgomery, Morris, Newell, Nicholson, Oliver, Pace, Petsch, Pevehouse, Piner, Pope, Ragsdale, Reader of Bexar, Reader of Erath, Reaves, Reed, Rhodes, Riviere, Roach, Roberts, Robinson, Russell, Schuenemann, Segrist, Shell, Skiles, Smith of Frio, Smith of Hopkins, Smith of Matagorda, Spencer, Stinson, Stoll, Talbert, Tarwater, Taylor, Tennant, Thornberry, Thornton, Turner, Vale, Vint, Voigt, Waggoner, Weldon, Wells, Westbrook, White, Wilson, Winfree, Wood and Worley.

On motion of Mr. Boyer, the names of all the Members of the House were added to the resolution as signers thereof.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

# In Mewory of

# Miss Jessie Alison Sayers

Mr. Hull offered the following resolution:

H. S. R. No. 260, In memory of Miss Jessie Alison Sayers.

Whereas, On March 25, 1939, the Almighty, in His infinite wisdom, called home from our midst Miss Jessie Alison Sayers of San Marcos, Texas, the last surviving sister of our late beloved and illustrious Governor Joseph Draper Sayers, who also served as a Member of the State Senate in 1873 and as Lieutenant Governor of Texas in 1879 and 1880; and

Whereas, Miss Sayers attended the public schools in Bastrop and college at Staunton, Virginia, later teaching in the Austin and Bastrop schools, and became a member of the original faculty of Southwest Texas State Teachers College at San Marcos in 1903, retiring two years ago from active teaching; and

Whereas, Her brilliant intellect helped solve many problems that arose in her school work, her unusual tact, her decision of character, her untiring energy, her common sense, her kindness of heart, her sense of humor—in short, her great and gracious personality endeared her to her fellow teachers and her students alike. She was an excellent teacher. Her high standards of accomplishment inspired her best students to more thorough, careful work, while her inexhaustible supply of patience and unfailing encouragement produced in the weaker ones revived and often successful effort; and

Whereas, A life of such distinguished service deserves recognition and tribute by her fellowman; and

Whereas, She was a devout Christian, being a member of Saint Mark's Episcopal Church of San Marcos, a faithful daughter, and a devoted sister; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the Members thereof deeply regret the passing of this noble and worthy character, and that we extend our sincere sympathy to the surviving members of her family, namely Mrs. Joseph Draper Sayers of Austin and Mrs. T. G. Sayers of Houston, sisters-in-law, and four nephews, T. G. Sayers of Austin, A. F. Sayers of San Antonio, and P. E. and R. S. Sayers of Houston; and, be it further

Resolved, That when the House adjourns today it do so in memory of Miss Jessie Sayers, that a page of the House Journal of today be dedicated to her memory and that the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives be instructed to send copies of this resolution to the family of Miss Sayers, and to the Faculty of Southwest Texas State Teachers College at San Marcos.

HULL, CLEVELAND.

The resolution was read second time.

Signed-Morse, Speaker; Allen, Alison, Alsup, Anderson, Bailey, Baker of Fort Bend, Baker of Grayson, Bell, Blankenship, Boethel, Bond, Boyd,

Boyer, Bradbury, Bradford, Bray, Bridgers, Broadfoot, Brown of Cherokee, Brown of Nacogdoches, Bundy, Burkett, Burney, Cauthorn, Celaya, Chambers, Clark, Cockrell, Coleman, Colquitt, Mrs. Colson, Cornett, Corry, Crossley, Daniel, Davis of Jasper, Davis of Upshur, Dean, Derden, Dickison, Dickson, Donaghey, Dowell, Dwyer, Faulkner, Felty, Ferguson, Fielden, Fuchs, Galbreath, Gilmer, Goodman, Mrs. Gordon, Hale, Hamilton, Hankamer, Hardeman, Hardin, Harp, Harper, Harrell of Bastrop, Harrell of Lamar, Harris, Hartzog, Heflin, Holland, Howard, Howington, Hunt, Isaacks, Johnson of Ellis, Johnson of Tarrant, Keith, Kennedy, Kern, Kerr, Kersey, Kinard, King, Langdon, Lehman, Leonard, Leyendecker, Little, Lock, Loggins, London, Mays, McAlister, McDaniel, McDonald, McFarland, McMurry, McNamara, Mohrmann, Monkhouse, Montgomery, Morris, Newell, Nicholson, Oliver, Pace, Petsch, Pevehouse, Piner, Pope, Ragsdale, Reader of Bexar, Reader of Erath, Reaves, Reed, Rhodes, Riviere, Roach, Roberts, Robinson, Russell, Schuenemann, Segrist, Shell, Skiles, Smith of Frio, Smith of Hopkins, Smith of Matagorda, Spencer, Stinson, Stoll, Talbert, Tarwater, Taylor, Tennant, Thornberry, Thornton, Turner, Vale, Vint, Voigt, Waggoner, Weldon, Wells, Westbrook, White, Wilson, Winfree, Wood, Worley and Wright.

On motion of Mr. Cockrell, the names of all the Members of the House were added to the resolution as signers thereof.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.